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Mao and Chou said detained in Moscow

Marshal Stalin is detaining Mr. Mao Tse-tung and Mr. Chou En-lai, Chairman and Premier, respectively, of the new People's Republic of China, at Moscow.

This report was brought to Hong Kong yesterday from Canton by a Chinese observer who requested that his name should not be disclosed. He, however, could not state how and where the report originated.

French warn Nationalists on Shanghai raids

Paris, February 13. French Nationalists in the Shanghai area are warned they will be held responsible for any loss of French lives and property resulting from Nationalist air attacks on Communist China, the French Foreign Office announced today.

The Chinese Nationalist Air Force has just systematically bombed districts in Shanghai where there are many French cultural establishments, hospital and industrial establishments, none of which is of military interest, the announcement said.

The United States Government made a similar protest to the Chinese Nationalist Government three days ago and is asking for an assurance that aerial attacks on American property in Shanghai would not be repeated.

Red charges against HK Police

The Police Commissioner of Kwangtung province, Tam Ching-meng, was reported to have accused an unknown Hong Kong border policeman of beating a Chinese man, and pushing him into the Shum Chun river on January 11.

Tam said on Sunday that the Chinese, Choy Kun-tai, had drowned.

He also alleged that on January 10, another Chinese man, Wu You-lu, was beaten up by a border policeman.

He said that he was warning the British police in Hong Kong that the Chinese people found it difficult to tolerate such incidents.

He added: "The Hong Kong government should respect the dignity and physical safety of citizens of the Chinese People's Republic."

"The Hong Kong government should pay compensation for these actions, and give further assurance that there will be no similar incidents in the future."

"Otherwise, the police commissioner said, 'there will be hard-to-predict consequences.'"

The Commissioner of Hong Kong police, D. W. Macintosh, declined to comment on Tam's statement yesterday.

A Hong Kong Government spokesman said last night that there was no truth in the story that border policemen either beat up or pushed any Chinese off the Shum Chun railway bridge.

QUEEN MARY
London, February 13. Queen Mary, who is suffering from sciatica, is continuing to make satisfactory progress. It was stated at Marlborough House, her London home, today.—Reuter.

The Weather
At 0600 GMT (8 p.m. HKST) the depression now centred over the Pacific off Japan continues to move rapidly ENEwards. The continental anticyclone covers China and Japan and is spreading Ewards into the Pacific. West pressure gradients persist over the S. China Sea.

Today's Forecast—Moderate S. fresh E or NE winds, cloudy and colder. Yesterday's Weather—Maximum 18.2, minimum 14.2, rain.

Minimum 14.2, maximum 18.2, rain. Rainfall: Three total since Jan. 1—54.9 mm (2.16 in.). on an average of 41.9 mm (1.65 in.).

Bar at sea level 1016.4, 1011.9 mm. Bar at sea level 1016.4, 1011.9 mm. Wind Force 1-2, Wind Direction 1-2, Wind Force 1-2, Wind Direction 1-2.

Peking official explains prolonged Moscow stay

RED POLICY ON HK

Mr. Tan Kah-kee, a top-ranking member of the Communist Peking Government, said yesterday that Mao Tse-tung was prolonging his stay in Moscow for an on the spot study and observation of the Soviet Communist experiment to gain first-hand information to help him in directing the reconstruction of New China.



MR. TAN KAH-KEE

Mr. Tan, who arrived in the Colony last Saturday on his way to Singapore, dismissed all Press speculations about Soviet demands on the Chinese Communists, the Soviet detention of Mao Tse-tung and the threatening split within the Chinese Communist Party as "pure nonsense" and "reactionary propaganda."

Mr. Tan is a member of the 55-man Government Council of the Central People's Government.

The aged "democratic personage" who is a prominent overseas Chinese leader in Malaya also asserted that Titoism was an "impossibility" in Communist China.

He said Mao Tse-tung and Chou En-lai would return to China sometime next month. This, he said, was according to a cable which Mao recently sent to high Peking officials. Other important points which Tan made in his one-hour exclusive interview with the United Press are:

1. The Chinese Communist would not ask for the return of Hong Kong at the "present time." He said "Hong Kong will remain as it is for the present."

When asked, he refused to elaborate on his "present time" assertion, but said that if there should be any change in Hong Kong's status "it will not be too quick in forthcoming."

2. The Chinese Communists will not expand to outside China, especially in South East Asia; but he said "South East Asia will, of course, inevitably feel the influence of the Communist success in China."

He added that the Chinese Communists are no giving aid to Ho Chi-minh's regime in Indo-China.

3. The Peking Government is willing to establish friendly relations with the United States if the United States shows genuine friendship and a feeling of equality by abandoning all support of Chiang Kai-shek's regime.

He said there is no reason for disbelieving the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson's statement of a hands off policy for Taiwan but "who knows that some war-mongering section of the American public are not secretly helping Chiang Kai-shek."

He categorically denied that the Chinese Communists or Communist China are directed or dominated in any way by Soviet Russia but declared that China would be permanently bound by Russian mutual friendship and alliance. Referring to Manchuria about which there have been many reports of Soviet domination, Tan said during his visit there last year he saw no Soviet Russian in the political service of the Government.

He described Mao Tse-tung as "a Chinese—reading the peace-loving Socialist line"—whereas he considered Mao first a Chinese or first a Communist.

Explaining Mao's protracted stay in Moscow, Mr. Tan said Mao had never been abroad and in order for him to correctly direct the reconstruction of China he must go abroad to see things. His personal observation, especially of Soviet industrial development, was essential for building up China. Mr. Tan declared, and added that he believed Chou En-lai is prolonging his stay in Moscow for the purpose of assisting Mao in collecting information about Soviet progress.

Mr. Tan was optimistic about prospects for the development of China under the leadership of the Communist Party. He said he travelled extensively in Communist China last year and declared that the Communist Party was making great progress in the rehabilitation of Manchuria.

"There are many problems but in places where the Communists have set up their rule for a comparatively long period such as Manchuria and North China the problems are being met in an effective way."

He denied all reports of the lack of democracy and freedom in Communist China. He said the non-Communist democratic parties are taking an active part in the Government with real power and are "not just empty names and empty positions."

He said that while there are differences in the platforms of the participating parties in the Peking Government, policies are made after democratic discussions in the committees.

Mr. Tan said he was not entrusted with any official mission on his return to Singapore but that he would give the overseas Chinese there a full report on conditions in Communist China. This was his purpose in travelling widely throughout China over the past seven months.

Singapore greeting
A Reuter report from Singapore adds that Mr. Tan Kah-kee the millionaire and overseas Chinese leader, who is expected in Singapore some time this week, will be greeted with a rendition of Red China's national song by two bands of the Chinese Mayday Musical and Dramatic Association, the police permitting according to the Asian-owned "Malayan Tribune."

Mr. Geh Seng-yoke, President of the Association, said: "I am particularly happy that he is returning. He will certainly have much to report about the new regime."

Mr. Tan Kah-kee, son of Mr. Tan Kah-kee, said that he had not received word from his father yet but expects him in Singapore "before the end of this month."

Mr. E. C. S. Adkins, Secretary for Chinese Affairs in Singapore, said that he saw no reason why Mr. Tan Kah-kee should not be admitted into Singapore if he presents himself with a passport.

"But I did not know that he would be coming back so soon," he added.—United Press and Reuter.

Violence in Pakistan and India

Calcutta, February 13. Indian air companies in Calcutta were today sending a fleet of ten passenger aircraft to Dacca, East Bengal Capital (Pakistan) to evacuate refugees from that city.

Communal disturbances have been reported in Dacca in the last four days.

Yesterday two Indian aircraft which flew to Dacca were unable to land in Dacca owing to disturbed conditions at the airport.

The Pakistan Government in Press note described this as "an unfortunate incident in which hooligans made a surprise attack on passengers causing casualties—some serious."

The Press note added that all air traffic was now diverted to a suburban airport, "which is easier to guard and fully protected."

Calcutta situation
In Calcutta, the situation continued to improve in the North and North Western parts of the city, where sporadic cases of communal violence occurred last week. A few stray incidents were reported today in the South Eastern part of the city where the authorities promptly enforced a curfew to suppress the outbreak.

In Amritsar, after a clash in which shots were fired the police last night arrested 32 people described as Communists. They were in a procession of about 200 shouting "Break Open the Holy Gates," and "Down with the Nehru Government."

Three police officials were injured and tear gas was used to disperse the crowds. No casualties were reported.—Reuter.

ANOTHER KMT SHIP DETAINED
Aden, February 13. United States Consul have detained yet another Chinese Nationalist ship, the fourth in a week. The 7,607 ton Chungking Victory, which arrived here today for oil bunkers, was held by the port authorities at the request of the United States Government.

The U.S. State Department announced last month that merchant ships on 42 merchant ships, sold to the Chinese Nationalist Government in 1947 and 1948 were still outstanding and that Consuls in the Far East had been asked to get the vessels detained to prevent their falling into Communist hands. Other vessels have been detained at Sydney, Brisbane and Durban.—Reuter.

U.S. CONSIDERED H-BOMB IN 1943
Manila, February 13. A high Philippine source today said the United States had been considering the hydrogen bomb since 1943 and was well ahead of any other nation.—Associated Press.

Westerling's guerilla fighters



One of the first pictures of former Dutch Commando Captain Westerling's "forces of the queen of justice" in Bandung. This group of tough former fighters of the Dutch Army are shown here guarding a street corner in Indonesia's third largest city, after the Indonesian garrison withdrew to the Northern part of the city. (A.P. Photo).

Further questions on Dairy Farm workers' budget at Arbitration Tribunal

Mr. Leung Wing, chief spokesman for the Dairy Farm workers, yesterday answered further questions put to him on the workers' budget, at the third day session of the Arbitration Tribunal.

The Tribunal, presided over by Professor R. Robertson, assisted by six assessors, is sitting to arbitrate on the dispute between the Dairy Farm Company and their workers who have claimed for a special \$3-a-day allowance.

The assessors assisting the Arbitrator are Messrs. J. H. Jones, H. R. Cleland and D. Black, nominated by the Dairy Farm Company, and Messrs. Tong Wai, Lau Ju-kwan and Chan Man-hon, nominated by the workers.

Representing the Company are Mr. J. D. Thomson and Mr. G. Milne, General Manager and Secretary respectively, of the Dairy Farm Company.

Mr. Leung Wing, Chairman of the Dairy Farm Workers' Union, Mr. Woo Kow and Mr. Young Yan, are representing the workers.

Before the proceedings started yesterday, Mr. W. G. Wormald, the Registrar General of Persons, formerly Government Statistician, who was present by request, answered questions put by the Arbitrator on the post-war movement in the cost of living survey prepared by the Department of Statistics in 1947.

At the last meeting of the Tribunal Mr. D. Black, one of the assessors nominated by the Dairy Farm Company, had raised the question of the cost of living survey prepared by the Statistics Department in 1947 for a family of five persons, and had compared the figures in it with the Dairy Farm workers' budget for a family of three.

Mr. Wormald left after he had given his explanations on the various points raised by the Arbitrator.

Cost of living
Opening the proceedings Professor Robertson said that at the last meeting questions were being put in order further to clarify the matter of the cost of living which the Dairy Farm workers had put forward.

"I think Mr. Black was putting certain questions to Mr. Leung Wing just before the last adjournment."

Mr. Leung Wing replied that Mr. Black was in a way correct. However, he has figured rent in accordance with the law only and has not taken cognizance of the squeeze made by principal tenants from which the workers suffer.

"I am quite aware of that and that is why I mentioned at the end that this squeeze or

Scots walk off British ship in Singapore

Singapore, February 13. Twenty-three Scots of the crew of the 4,767-ton British freighter "Tower" Grange walked off the ship on its arrival in Singapore yesterday "because food and general conditions on board were bad."

The men also said that their captain was "domineering." All 23 men came from Greenock, Renfrewshire, Scotland. They will be charged in court today with desertion.

The walk-off has held back the vessel, which was due to sail yesterday for Hong Kong and Japan.—Reuter.

rent racket should not affect the worker who was here in 1941. He would have retained possession of his premises. The other workers are presumably new men," said Mr. Black.

"Yes, but after the Japanese occupied Hong Kong in 1941, many of the Dairy Farm workers left for the interior of China, and the Dairy Farm Company suspended business," replied Mr. Leung.

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"Graveyard of ships" claims another victim

LIVERPOOL MURDER TRIAL

Liverpool, February 13. After two trials, Charles Connolly, 27, was today found not guilty of murdering Leonard Thomas, manager of the Camoo cinema in Liverpool last March. After the Liverpool Assize judge had ordered the jury to return a not guilty verdict for murder, Connolly pleaded guilty to stealing £50 and conspiracy to rob, and was sent to gaol for ten years.

George Kelly, 27, with whom he robbed the manager, was sentenced to death at the Liverpool Assize last week for the murder. Both stood trial twice. In the first trial they both appeared in dock but after the jury had failed to agree they were retried separately.

RAF OPERATIONS IN MALAYA

Singapore, February 13. British planes have increased their operations against terrorist concentrations in Malaya. An official spokesman today said that 26 sorties were carried out yesterday in various parts of the Federation, their main attacks being in the foothills near the road leading to Cameron Highlands, a holiday resort and military encampment center, and in Johore, where the new type of bomber, the Canberra, was used with great success.

A British rubber planter, Mr. H. N. Winter, was ambushed and killed by Communist guerrillas today near Ipoh while carrying a payroll for his Chinese labourers. —Reuter.

Further question on Dairy Farm workers' budget at Arbitration Tribunal

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Rice consumption

Mr. Black then turned his questions to food and said that from enquiries he had made he was satisfied that the quantity of rice consumed by the principal worker in the family appears to be correct or even under-stated. But it seems to him that other members of the family—the wife and the child—do not consume so much. Has anything been added to the quantity for rice for members of the family? or for dependents of the family?

"May I ask Mr. Black whether a worker carrying loads of 200 to 250 pounds of meat in the course of his work is over-eating when he consumes 30 catty of rice a month?" asked Mr. Leung.

Mr. Black replied that his question had nothing to do with what a Dairy Farm worker carries. He had already mentioned that as far as the principal worker was concerned, his rice consumption was possibly under-stated.

"Then, if a wife consumes 25 catties a month, and a child 15 catties a month, that scale is only very general," said Mr. Leung. Mr. Black asked if it was correct that due to the poor quality of ration rice, the average worker did not eat it.

After Mr. Leung replied that that was correct, Mr. Black said that he had been led to believe that good quality rice suitable for the average office worker could be obtained between 80 and 90 cents a catty, except possibly at times like the Chinese New Year, when prices go up. "Is this correct, Mr. Leung?" he asked.

"I don't think Mr. Black appreciates rice," replied Mr. Leung. "If Mr. Black asked me he will be able to choose between grades selling at 80 cents a catty and that selling at \$1.12 a catty, and he will be able to say which kind he prefers."

The Arbitrator interrupted by saying that it is not a question of what Mr. Black prefers to eat, but what he wants is a "yes" or "no" to the question put.

"No," replied Mr. Leung. Mr. Black remarked that his information came from workers he had known in the past, and that he could trust.

On the item of \$9 a month for cost of transportation in the workers' budget, Mr. Black said he assumed this item would be eliminated in the case of farm hands living on the farm and those workers provided with accommodation by the Company.

Chillang Point, "graveyard of ships," has claimed another victim. The British ship, ss. Wing Hing, which ran aground near Chillang Point early Sunday morning, is a total loss.

Another British ship, which attempted to give assistance to the Wing Hing, the ss. City of Kimberley, sustained slight hull damage when she ran aground about 8 a.m. on Sunday.

Sea divers, who examined the damage yesterday, reported that the City of Kimberley might have to go into dry-dock for a short time; however, the ship continued to load cargo yesterday.

An officer of the Wing Hing said that heavy fog and a weak light signal from Chillang Point were the causes of the disaster.

The Captain of the Wing Hing ordered the ship abandoned one hour and 20 minutes after she struck jagged rocks at Chillang Point, 80 miles East of Hong Kong.

All members of the crew, the three European officers and one passenger abandoned ship on the Wing Hing lifeboat, and went ashore on Chillang Point.

Owners of the Wing Hing, the To Hing Shipping Company, reported yesterday that their ship was fully covered by insurance.

Six hours after the Wing Hing struck Chillang Point rocks, the City of Kimberley sighted the abandoned ship; however, she could not offer assistance because she touched bottom half-a-mile from the Wing Hing, and immediately pulled away.

Only the Captain and the radio operator remained on the ship

"But how about those who spend more than 50?" asked Mr. Leung.

Professor Robertson asked Mr. Leung to answer the question but without putting a counter question. The question asked was quite simple, he said.

Mr. Leung replied that cow hands living at the farm have to go to town to visit friends and relatives once in a while, say once a week.

Mr. Black remarked that he took it that the answer is "no." "Everybody has to incur travelling expenses. How about those of us who paid double or more than double travelling expenses during the tram stoppage?" said Mr. Leung.

Working wives

Mr. Black next asked whether, in the case of a family of three, the wife also works, and if so, whether on full time or part time. Mr. Leung replied that very few of them work, and even if they do want to work they cannot find jobs.

This concluded the questions from the Company's assessors, and the Arbitrator asked Mr. J. D. Thomson, the General Manager of the Dairy Farm Company, what questions he wished to put to Mr. Leung.

Mr. Thomson asked Mr. Leung if it was a fact that the budget before the Tribunal was the third budget that the Dairy Farm workers had prepared.

Mr. Leung asked what budget Mr. Thomson was referring to, and said that he had never brought up any family budget before.

Mr. Thomson then explained that on January 4 this year representatives of the Dairy Farm workers and he had a discussion in his office, at which Mr. Leung brought up a budget for \$187.30, but which after discussion was increased to \$208.90.

Mr. Leung asked if he could see the two budgets mentioned by Mr. Thomson.

The Arbitrator explained to Mr. Leung that what Mr. Thomson said was that on January 4, a budget of \$187.30 was presented to him for \$187.30, but the amount of the same budget was later changed to \$208.90.

"No budget was presented. We only asked for \$80 a month special allowance," said Mr. Leung. "No budget was presented then, and no discussion took place," asked Professor Robertson.

Budget handed in

Mr. Thomson then said he would hand this particular budget in as documentary evidence. He handed the budget to the Arbitrator.

The second budget from the workers was handed to him on January 6 or 7, said Mr. Thomson. The amount of that budget was \$225 and some odd cents.

On that occasion, Major Chauvin spoke to him, Mr. Thomson, over the telephone, telling him that the workers had brought their family budget for a sum of \$204, that he had had a discussion with them, and that, after consulting a certain Chinese who was an expert on the subject, the amount of the budget was increased to \$204 or \$205.

Asked if this was correct, Mr. Leung replied in the affirmative and explained that the figure of \$204 was made up of the Dairy Farm workers' budget, that the

TB claims 48 during week

Forty-eight deaths from tuberculosis were recorded in the week ended February 4, according to the weekly Health Return released yesterday.

Total deaths from the disease in the first 35 days of the year was 260. Other deaths in the week under review included five from diphtheria, four from enteric fever, and one each from dysentery, cholera (Asian), and whooping cough.

Total deaths in the same week from all causes was 282, as against 1,202 births.

Bitter hate campaign in E. Germany

Berlin, February 13. Communist leaders whipped up a "bitter hate campaign" against the United States and Britain in Soviet-occupied East Germany today.

It was the fifth anniversary of the destructive bombing of Dresden, ancient centre of German culture, by fleets of American and British planes.

Royal Air Force records of the February 13-15 air raids were not made public, but news accounts indicated that the raids were intended to assist the army of Soviet Marshal Georg Zhukov, advancing from the East.

In the ruins of the old Saxon capital today, all street traffic was ordered stopped for one minute of silence at noon.

Communist organisations in all other towns and villages of two Russian zones sponsored "Remember Dresden" observances.

The Soviet Army's official newspaper, "Tselliche Rundschau," told the 20,000,000 East Germans, "Destroyed Dresden reminds you—fight against the imperialist robber."

Dresden Mayor wrote in the chief Communist Party organ, "Neues Deutschland," that the Anglo-American raids killed 35,000 civilians but had "not been a military necessity."

Mayor Walter Wedauer added: "For this dreadful deed, we shall remember the American and English warmongers again and again. We wish tirelessly to recall this horrible destructive work to all Germans who have been bought by Wall Street and have become traitors to their German fatherland."

In London, the Foreign Office said British and American planes bombed Dresden five years ago to give support to advancing Russian troops.

The spokesman commented on the campaign of hate against the United States and Britain in the "Remember Dresden" observances, being sponsored throughout the Russian zone of Eastern Germany.

"At the Yalta conference, it was decided the Western Allies would give all possible tactical support to the advancing Russian army," he said.

"Dresden was the main communications centre for the defending German armies."

"When speaking of bombing, the German people should remember the German bombing of Warsaw on September 1, 1939, which started the whole chain of events," —Associated Press.

Major Robertson who read from it as follows: "With regard to the questions raised by you this morning, I beg to inform you that I was yesterday in the 'South China Morning Post' yesterday regarding the alleged loan by me to members of the Dairy Farm Union at Pooklam of \$15,000.

The truth is that I have not actually lent any money whatsoever to any member of the Dairy Farm Union, and the whole episode is a complete fabrication."

"As reported to you in January, 1949, the manager of the store, Mr. Tai Kiu, had lent \$1,805 prior to that date, and the interest on these loans was 10 per cent flat rate, but after your advice in January, 1949, this practice was completely discontinued, and the store manager since that date has made no further loans."

"My own share in this store is only one quarter, and the business is run and managed by one of the shareholders, Mr. Tai Kiu, who is a member of the Dairy Farm Union."

"The total credit for goods received by all members of our Company up to February 8, 1950, is \$3,002.40. This is made up as follows:—

Dairy Farm Union members — \$1,101.85
Graziers' Union members — 1,445.05
Kunboys' coolies and dairymen — 455.50
Total — \$3,002.40

"There is no interest charged on outstanding accounts. 'I earnestly hope that it will be possible for you and the Arbitrator to investigate the true facts from the workers of the Dairy Farm Union, and to throw daylight on this alleged loan.'

"The letter concluded with a postscript that the writer knew nothing about the sum of \$15,000 said to have been lent to the city workers."

Professor Robertson said the point raised by Mr. Tai Kiu was that Mr. Leung had asked to see the letter, but Professor Robertson said he would have to ask the manager of the Dairy Farm Union to produce it today.

The Tribunal then adjourned at 3 p.m. today.

Hong Kong Women's International Club annual meeting

Mrs. A. E. Matthews, chairman of the Hong Kong Women's International Club, told members at their annual meeting yesterday that their institution is filling a need and is providing a meeting place for the traditionally alien cultures of the East and West.

Lady Grantham, wife of the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, was present at the meeting in her capacity as Honorary President.

Mrs. Matthews said the values of Eastern and Western civilisation are being made to complement and reinforce rather than combat and destroy each other in the Club.

Presenting the Club's finances she said that they appear to be in a sound state.

"Our resources have been greatly augmented by generous donations from the public, totalling \$10,372. The Hong Kong Jockey Club besides monetary donations also gave us a place to help us in our entertainment of Services Personnel," she said.

Talking about Club activities, the chairman said that in view of the opening of the Chinese Services Club the Hong Kong Women's International Club has decided to restrict its catering to the forces' welfare drives and dances alternately every Thursday evening.

"These functions are the Club's contribution to Forces Welfare," she declared.

She then thanked all workers for the Club for their efforts during the past year.

The list of voluntary helpers for the year 1949 contains 75 names.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Aspen, Colorado, February 12. Argentina's two entries for the Alpine events in the World Ski Championships, beginning here tomorrow, were last-minute arrivals last night.

They are Carlos Elias, aged 18, and Luis de Ridder, both of Buenos Aires. De Ridder is a student at Utah University. —Reuter.

Basle, February 12. The Edmonton Mercury, of Canada, ended their tour of Switzerland by beating the Swiss national team 8-2, with period scores of 4-1, 2-0 and 2-1, at an ice-hockey match here today.

Geneva, February 12. The Yugoslav football team Zagreb Dynamos today beat a Swiss selection at Lausanne, by three goals to zero, having scored once before half-time.

At Lucerne, the Saarbrücken Club beat Lucerne by four goals to one after each side had scored once before the interval. —Reuter.

London, February 12. Ireland's Rugby team to meet Scotland in Dublin on February 23 was chosen today as follows: G. Norton (Rangers); W.D. McKee (North Ireland); A.N. O'Brien (Ireland); G.C. Phillips (Rugby Union); M. Lane (University College, Cork); J.W. Kyle (Queen's University, Belfast); R. Carroll (Manchester); F. Clifford (Manchester); D. McKibbin (J. Maloney); J.E. Nelson (Malone); J. Maloney (University College, Dublin); J.S. McCarthy (Dolphin); D.J. O'Brien (London Irish); J.W. McKee (Queen's University, Belfast). —Reuter.

Copenhagen, February 12. Denmark won the ballroom dancing contest against Britain and Austria by one and a half points here tonight. The total scores were Denmark 572, Britain 570, and Austria 515.

The British team was first in the waltz, the slow fox-trot and the quickstep. Australia scored heavily in the Vienna waltz and the tango. —Reuter.

Moscow, February 12. The women's World Speed Skating Championships were concluded here today when Soviet competitors again dominated the event. Tatiana Kaplunova, of USSR, won the 1,000 metres in 1 min. 40.2 secs, with Olga Zhukova, of the USSR, second in 1 min. 52.4 secs.

Soviet skaters had won both events yesterday (the 500 and 3,000 metres). —Reuter.

Tel Aviv, February 12. Jewish sportsmen, the world over have been invited to participate in the third Maccabian games which are due to begin in Israel on September 30.

The games, sponsored by the Maccabi World Union, are run on the lines of the Olympic Games and events include athletics, basketball, boxing, swimming, fencing, soccer, rowing, shooting, wintering, water polo, lawn tennis and wrestling.

Earlier in a preliminary round, Israel's national team, led by Shimon Shalom, defeated the Argentine team, 3-1, in a friendly match.

The Argentine team, which had won the 1948 Maccabian Games, was defeated by Israel, 3-1, in a friendly match.

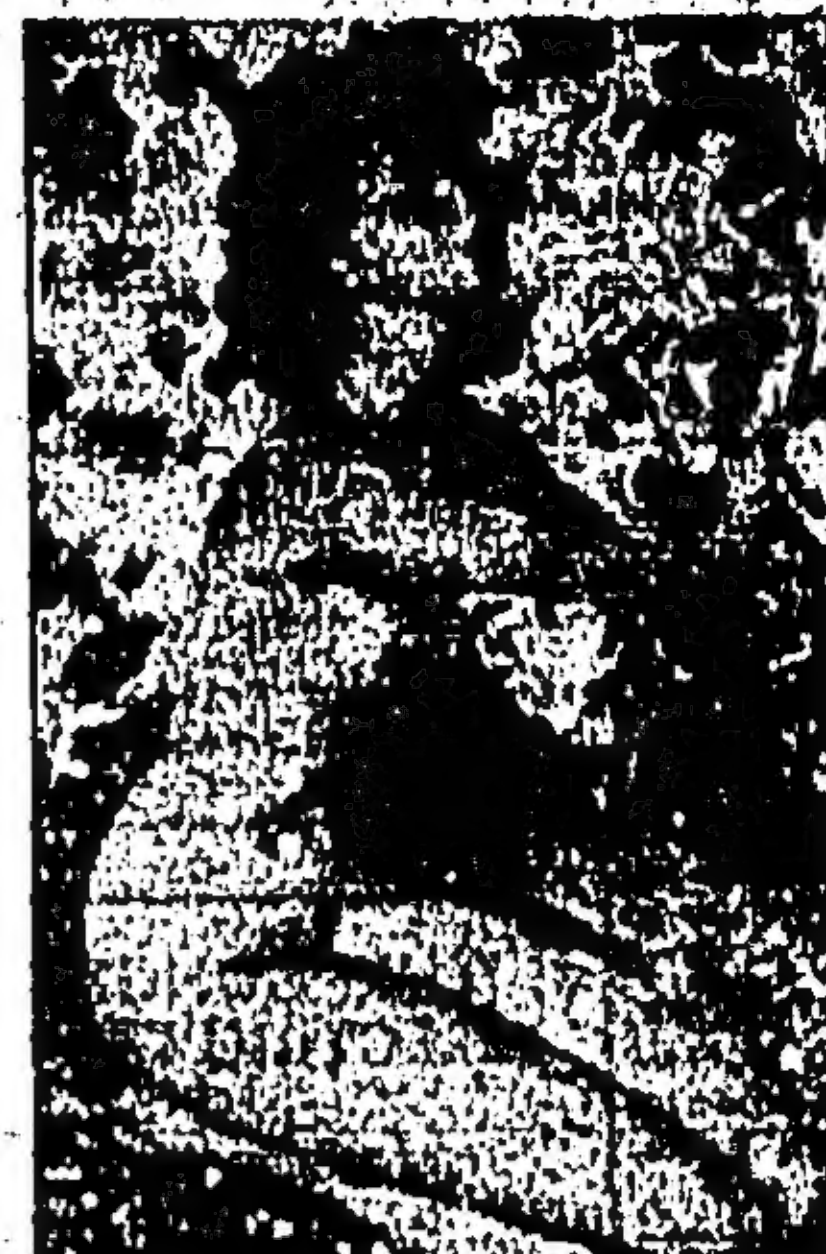
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vised edition) at \$3.00 per copy.
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at 50 cents each. On sale at
"China Mail" Office, Windsor
House, Tel. 52212.

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Cinemas and "China Mail" Office.

THE HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI HOTELS,
LIMITED

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE is hereby given that
the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of
Shareholders of The Hongkong
& Shanghai Hotels, Limited,
will be held at the Registered
Office of the Company (Second
Floor, Telephone House, Des
Voeux Road, Central, Hong
Kong) on WEDNESDAY, the
15th day of March, 1950, at 12
Noon, for the purpose of re-
ceiving the Report of the Board
of Directors, together with the
Statement of Accounts for the
year ended 31st December,
1949, to confirm the appoint-
ment of a Director, to re-elect
a Director and to appoint Au-
ditors.

The Transfer Books of the
Company will be closed from
the 1st March, 1950, to the 15th
March, 1950, both days in-
clusive.

AND NOTICE is hereby also
given that an Extraordinary
General Meeting of the Share-
holders of the Company will be
held at the same place on the
same day at the conclusion of
the Ordinary Yearly Meeting
for the purpose of considering
and if thought fit passing the
following Resolution as an Or-
dinary Resolution:—

"That the Board of Directors
of the Company be requested
not to exercise, for the time
being, their power to offer the
unissued capital of the Com-
pany to existing shareholders
and that their Press announce-
ment dated the 8th March, 1949,
shall accordingly be regarded as
withdrawn."

By Order of the Board,
A. SOMMERFELT,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, February 6, 1950.

NOTICE

HUMPHREYS ESTATE &
FINANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that
the Ordinary Yearly Meeting
of Shareholders will be held at
the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong,
on Saturday 18th March, 1950
at 12 Noon for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the
Directors with a Statement of
Accounts for the Year ended
31st December 1949 and for
the election of Directors and the
appointment of Auditors.

NOTICE is further hereby
given that the Register and
Transfer Books of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the
4th March, 1950 to the 18th
March 1950 both days inclusive
during which period no Trans-
fer of Shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS
& SON LTD.,
General Managers

Hongkong, February 14, 1950.

BANQUE BELGE POUR
L'ETRANGER

HONG KONG

As from today, February
13th 1950, our offices have been
transferred to our new premises
in Edinburgh House, Corner of
Ice House Street and Queen's
Road Central.

U.S.R.C.

The monthly dance will be
held on Saturday, February 18
—tickets \$5.00 on sale at the
Club.

THE HONGKONG
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TRICITY HOUSE.

The following new telephone
numbers are substituted from
today:—

38011)

38012) Distribution and

38013) Meter Departments.

38014)

38582 Distribution Engineer.

38583 Mains Engineer.

THE HONGKONG
ELECTRIC CO. LTD.

February 13, 1950.

THE "STAR" FERRY
COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Public are hereby ad-
vised that annual repairs to
piers will commence on Mon-
day 20th February, 1950.

Some congestion and delay
to cross harbour passengers
will be unavoidable, and
they are requested to co-
operate in mitigating this in-
convenience by avoiding trans-
porting during peak traffic
periods as much as possible.

G.B.S. THOMSON,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, February 14, 1950.

THE HONG KONG
JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry
Forms for the 2nd Race Meet-
ing to be held on Saturday,
25th February, 1950, (weather
permitting) may be obtained
at the Secretary's Office, Tele-
phone House; the Club House,
Happy Valley; and the Stables,
Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock
NOON on WEDNESDAY, 15th
February, 1950.

By Order,
S. A. SLEAP,
Secretary.

NOTICE

On and after the 16th Febru-
ary, 1950, the Vehicular Ferry
Service will be extended up to
1.00 a.m. daily for the trans-
portation of Vehicles and First
Class Passengers.

THE HONGKONG
& YAU MATI FERRY
CO., LTD.

Hong Kong, February 14, 1950.

LANE, CRAWFORD, LTD.

HOURS OF BUSINESS

CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAY

| | | |
|----------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Friday 17th February. | Main Store & Branches | Closed |
| Saturday 18th February. | Branches & Food Section (Main Store) | Open 9 a.m. — 12 noon |
| Sunday 19th February. | Main Store & Branches | Closed |

Bread and cakes will be on sale
on Sunday 19th February in
CAFE WISEMAN
which will be open as usual
throughout the holiday.

POLICE NOTICE

In view of the approaching Chinese New Year, it is hereby notified that the
Secretary for Chinese Affairs has given permission for fireworks, not being unlawful
fireworks, to be kindled, discharged or let off within the portions of the Colony enu-
merated in Part I of the following Table within the respective times set opposite such por-
tions in such Part I, subject nevertheless to the exceptions, prohibitions and restrictions
set out in Part II of the said Table.

PART I.

TABLE.

| Portion of the Colony. (Subject nevertheless to the exceptions and prohibitions and restrictions set forth in Part II of this Table). | Permitted Times. |
|---|---|
| In the Island of Hong Kong:— | |
| (1) All the area within and bounded by Pedder Street to Connaught Road Central to Murray Road to Queen's Road Central, and back to Pedder Street. | (1), (2) & (3) from 11 p.m. on Thursday, the 16th February, 1950 (除夕) to 1 a.m. on Friday, the 17th February, 1950 (元日). |
| (2) All that area within and bounded by a line from the entrance to the Ruttonjee Sanatorium in Queen's Road East to Kennedy Road, along Kennedy Road to a line running immediately behind and parallel to King Wan Street, thence along this line to Stone Nullah Lane, down Stone Nullah Lane to Queen's Road East, along Queen's Road East to Tai Yuen Street, by Tai Yuen Street and O'Brien Road to Gloucester Road, along Gloucester Road to Stewart Road and thence by Ste- wart Road and Heard Street to the boundary of the Public Works Department Store. | Also from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. and from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday, the 17th Febru- ary, 1950 (元日). |
| (3) All the area within & bounded by Leighton Hill Road to Caroline Road to Tung Lo Wan Road to Tai Hang Road, along Tai Hang Road to Stubbs Road, to Queen's Road East to Morrison Hill Road and back to Leighton Hill Road. | Also from 6 a.m. to 8 a.m. on Thursday, the 23rd February, 1950 (元日). |
| The streets and roads or portions thereof, as the case may be, through which boundary lines pass are included within the areas (1), (2) and (3). | |
| In Kowloon:— | |
| (4) All that portion of the Kowloon Peninsula south of Austin Road. | (4) The same times as for areas (1), (2) & (3) above. |
| (5) The area within (and including) the following bound- ary:— Nathan Road from Austin Road to Boundary Street, thence Boundary Street to the Railway Line, thence the Railway Line to the Northern end of Kowloon Tong, thence Cornwall Road to Waterloo Road, thence Waterloo Road to Boundary Street, thence Boundary Street to Prince Edward Road, thence Prince Edward Road to Argyle Street, thence Argyle Street to Water- loo Road, thence Waterloo Road to No. 4 Railway Bridge, thence the Railway Line to Chatham Road, thence Chatham Road to Austin Road. | (5) The same times as areas (1), (2) & (3) above. |
| The whole of Jordan Road is included within the boundary. | |
| In the Colony:— | |
| (6) Elsewhere in the Colony. | (6) From 4 p.m. on Thurs- day, the 16th February, 1950 (除夕) to 4 p.m. on Satur- day, the 18th Feb. (初二), from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. on Thursday, the 23rd Febru- ary, 1950 (元日). |

PART II.

EXCEPTIONS, PROHIBITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS.

No fireworks shall be discharged within the following area:—

All that area within and bounded by a line along the whole of Ko Shing Street
to its western end or junction with Des Voeux Road West, thence along Des
Voeux Road West to its junction with Centre Street, thence along Centre Street
to its junction with Bonham Road, thence along and including Bonham Road
to a point found by producing the eastern boundary of Pound Lane, thence to
and along including Pound Lane, thence along and including Hollywood
Road to its junction with Queen's Road West, thence along Queen's Road West
to its junction with Queen Street, thence along Queen Street to its junction
with Ko Shing Street, the point of commencement. The course of the said line
is such that boundary streets and roads not specifically included in the area lie
outside it.

No burning firework or other fire shall be thrown above the head, or near any
person or inflammable material, and every reasonable precaution must be taken against
accident.

The kindling, discharge or letting off of fireworks in or in the vicinity of hos-
pitals, or of places of Christian Worship during Divine Service, is prohibited.

The firing of Bombs, "Electric" crackers and "Golden Coin" crackers is strictly
prohibited.

With reference to the permission hereby notified attention is drawn to the rule
set forth in Government Notification No. 79 published in the Government Gazette dated
10th February, 1933, "No person shall make, sell, or have in his possession any fire-
work which explodes on impact, or which contains any explosive ingredient or mixture
other than black gunpowder, charcoal sulphur, saltpetre, aluminium and potassium
perchlorate, or which has in any single container thereof more than 10 grains of any
explosive mixture in which potassium perchlorate is an ingredient.

Occupiers of premises are warned as to their liability under the Summary Offences
Ordinance, 1932, in particular in respect of any unlawful firing or throwing of fireworks
at, or from their premises.

The Police have strict orders to summon or arrest persons firing fireworks in con-
travention of the foregoing permission and rule.

D. W. MacINTOSH,
Commissioner of Police.

February 7, 1950.

DIOCESAN BOYS'
SCHOOL

An Entrance Examination
will be held on 6th May for
boys wishing to enter Class 5
in September 1950. There will
be about sixty vacancies.

Application forms may be
obtained from the School Office
on and after 23rd February.
They must be completed and
returned to the School by 31st
March, together with a registra-
tion-fee of \$2.

February 10, 1950.

LAMBERT BROS.

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CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAY

NOTICE

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By Shepard Barclay

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HIGH-LOW SHOWS DESIRE

IT IS A mistake to consider
that your high-low signal, when
your partner leads the king from
an ace-king, is imperative if you
hold a doubleton. Basically, you
purpose is to not to give your
partner information when you are
on defence. It is to beat the con-
tract. Anyway, maybe some
other information might be more
important than that about the
number of cards in his suit. For
instance, information that you
want him to refrain from repeat-
ing that suit, but switch to an-
other instead. In that case, give
him a low card, and if he repeats
the suit, complete a low-high dis-
courager.

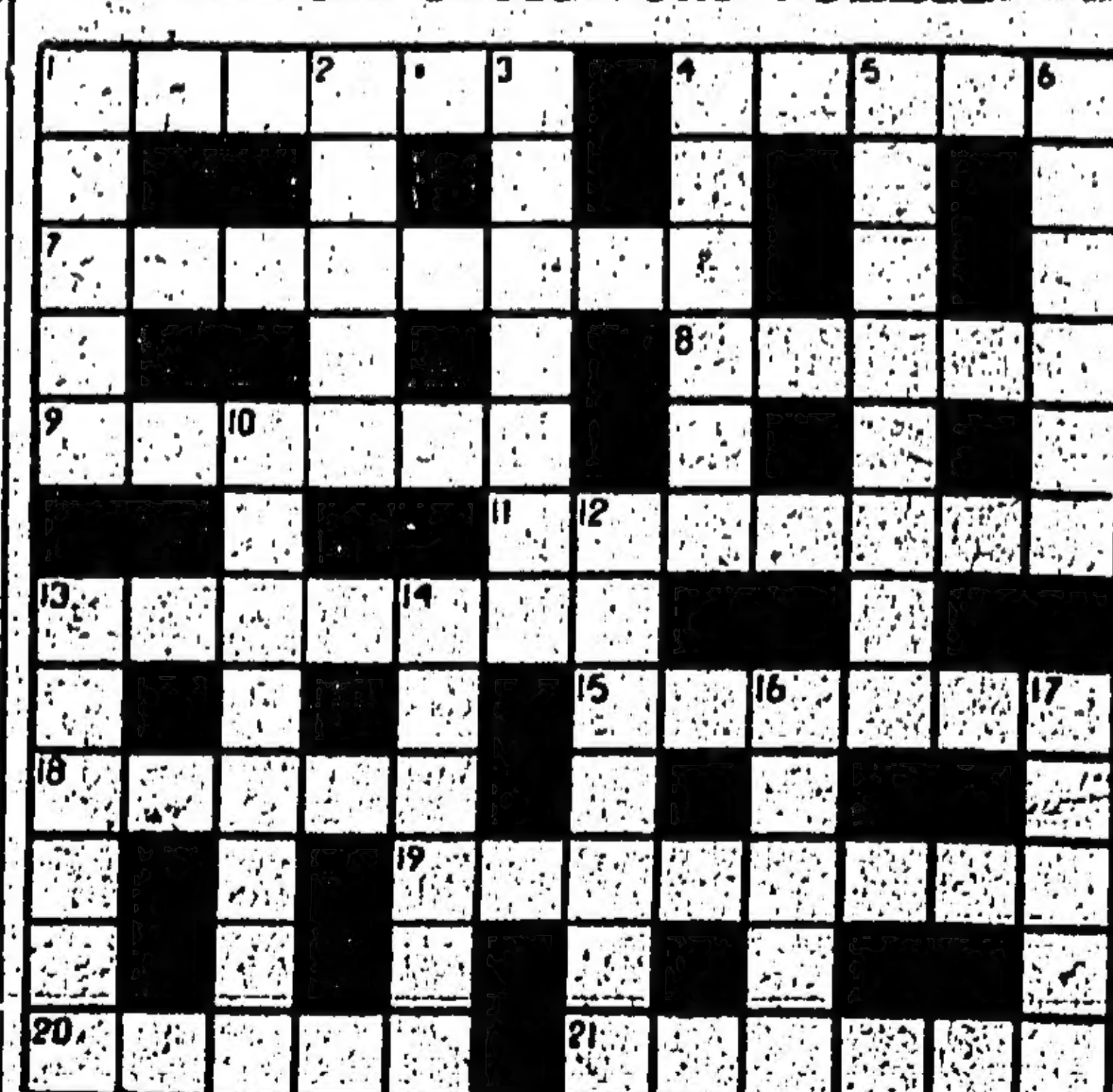
S Q 7 6 8
H Q 9
D A 9
C A K 6 5
S A K 8 4
H 5
D 10 6 4 2
C J 7 4 2
N
W
E
S
S J 10 3
H A K 6 4 3 2
D Q 3
C 8 3

(Dealer: North. Both sides vul-
nerable).
North East South West
1 C Pass 1 H Pass
1 S Pass 2 H Pass
2 NT Pass 3 H Pass
4 H

It might have been interesting
to see 3-No Trumps tried on that
layout. As the cards were, pro-
per defence would have beaten
the contract of game in hearts
but such defence was not forth-
coming. West started it soundly
enough by leading the spade K.

(Dealer: East. North-South vul-
nerable).
After normal bidding, what de-
fence would you recommend
against South's 3-No Trumps?

A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



| Across | Down |
|---------------|----------------|
| 1 Frank | 1 Scold |
| 4 Rude | 2 Live |
| 7 Gap | 3 Fan |
| 8 Keen | 4 Comfort |
| 9 Theatrical | 5 Mullah |
| 11 Colour | 6 Protect |
| 13 Tugboat | 10 Realistic |
| 15 Pick | 12 Communicate |
| 16 Thin coat | 13 Haven |
| 17 Ings | 14 Consequence |
| 18 Unexpect- | 15 Permission |
| 19 tedly | 16 Bayou |
| 20 Occurrence | |
| 21 Vigour | |

Yesterday's Crossword
Across—1 Spelt; 4 Learned;
5 Road; 6 Pines; 10 Airport; 11
Place; 12 Hide; 14 Hunters; 17
Apenn; 18 Bridge; 22 Liberal; 23
Kiss; 27 Team; 28 Flirted; 29
Laid; 30 Taps; 31 Peasants; 32 Bank
Ledge.

Down—1 Palled; 3 Gader; 4
Leaky; 5 Kite; 6 Road; 7 Error;
12 Hall; 13 Deal; 15 Pill; 16
Slam; 18 Carver; 19 Ramble; 21
Narrow; 24 Lingo; 25 Exact; 26
Ledge.

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TIPS FOR CHINESE NEW YEAR SHOPPING

With the Chinese New Year only two days ahead of us, here is tip to those who like to do their shopping on the mainland.

For cooked meats, fresh vegetables and other groceries, the Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Company, Kowloon branch, is as usual the right place for quality and value. Like its fresh milk which is to be found throughout the Colony, Dairy Farm foods are second to none.

Recently large stock of Huntley & Palmer's Biscuits, drums of biscuits have just been unpacked. Specially packed, they are sold at \$7.10 per tin.

Also on sale at the Dairy Farm are other famous biscuit makers. These include Solid Sticks which are price-tagged \$3.50 per tin, and Savoury Varieties at \$5.50 per tin.

Other brands of biscuits displayed in the show window of the Dairy Farm are Peck Frean's Bourbon and Vita Wheat. The former are sold at \$8.10 per tin, and the Vita Wheat are sold at \$3.35 per tin.

Fresh and cooked meats, butter and eggs, best quality cheese of many varieties, fresh vegetables, provision and groceries have for years made the Dairy Farm a familiar and welcoming reminder to many a housewife.

More of the best

Another leading store of fresh and best quality food is Lane Crawford, Limited. Also located on Nathan Road (opposite the Dairy Farm) this store was established in 1850, and proud of its century of service and unequalled quality.

An old establishment long famous for the best type of bread and other bakeries, Lane Crawford, Limited has always a large stock of best quality meat, both fresh and cooked.

Also stacked high on the store's shelves, foodstuffs from almost all the famous food manufacturers of the world are present for your choice.

Ask any good cook and I am sure they will all agree that a good meal depends a lot on the quality of food. So remember if you want your family to enjoy a good meal be sure to drop in at Lane Crawford.

Sports centre

Almost everybody has a hobby. Some may like to collect stamps whereas others may take great interest in sports.

E. C. Fincher's store on 11, Salisbury Road, a minute's walk from the Star Ferry Kowloon Pier, is the centre of almost all kinds of sports equipment.

Don't think that shop only sells sports equipment. Other imported goods including dolls for your kiddies, in-door games for all

ages, dresses for ladies and sportswear for both ladies and gentlemen are also sold here.

All imported, the store's large stock of best quality goods are sold at very reasonable prices.

Perhaps many people are now wondering where the best gifts in gold and silver for all occasions are sold. On 40, Nathan Road, just right in front of Peking Road in the mainland, is G. M. Arthur & Company.

One of the very few gold and silver dealers in the mainland, G. M. Arthur & Company has a good reputation in gifts made of high class crystal.

Even clocks and watches of the best make, mostly from well known English watch and clock makers, can be obtained at the famous mainland jewellers.

Silverware for the dining table and for other purposes also form a part of the large selection of high quality goods sold. For those who are particular in having silver or gold ware suited to their own tastes, be sure to visit G. M. Arthur's for that is the place where best workmanship can be offered to you.

Fashionable clothes

Why envy other ladies' dresses when you too can obtain a fashionable dress (at reasonable price) at Tamara May's?

Tamara May, the name that spells out fashion in ladies' dresses for all occasions, is located in Room 503, Peninsula Hotel.

There, always present for your inspection, is a large selection of evening and cocktail dresses. Economical everyday wear made of best quality materials such as corduroy, gabardine and wool are also available.

Blouses, skirts and slacks which are made to fit your figure can be ordered at the well known mainland dressmaker's at reasonable prices.

Jewellery and evening dress handbags to match your favorite evening dress—and even silver and gold belts are also among the large selection of ladies' wear displayed at Tamara May—mainland's fashion centre.

Kiddies' toys

One of the very few mainland stores of toys for kiddies of all ages is the Sunny Company, 90, Nathan Road.

Always a warehouse of best toys, Sunday Company, a name kiddies will always remember, is also a good place to buy sets, stationery, kiddies' books and other things that will fascinate your children.

For adults, Sunny Company is one of the few places on the mainland where popular maga-

zines, periodicals and other stationery can be obtained.

Even baby chairs, prams and other furniture for young children's use are on display at the popular Sunny Company.

A little beyond, Sunny Company, on Nathan Road, there is another toy wonderland where only toys of the best quality are sold.

National Toy Company at 220, Nathan Road, Kowloon, is the place where scientific toys such as remote control trainsets, aeroplanes and even motor cars are sold.

For young girls whose paramount hope in the coming Chinese New Year is to have a new doll, surprise them by obtaining a life-like talking doll. Remember, like other well known stores, National Toy Company is always packed with toy shoppers. So do your shopping at the National Toy Company early before your kiddies' ideal toys are sold out.

Also for adults' information, all toys sold in the store are at reasonable prices.

Bring your children to National Toy Company, the store that has a thousand and one items, and see how much your kiddies are fascinated by the toys sold there.

Leading bookstore

Do you know which is the mainland's leading bookstore? If you hesitate to answer this, I suggest you visit Swindon Book Company, 25, Nathan Road.

For that is the store where reading matter from almost all parts of the world find their place.

Best known to be the centre where the widest variety of reading matter comes under one ceiling, Swindon Book Company always has a large selection of latest novels for grown-ups, story books for children and latest fashion magazines for ladies.

Also periodicals, technical magazines and newspapers from nearly every corner of the world can be obtained.

Greeting cards for every occasion, stationery for schools, offices and homes form also a part of the large selection of best quality goods sold at Swindon Book Company.

Dainty things

Established since 1917, Swatow Weng Lee Company is among the few local general importers and exporters that is well known internationally.

Famous manufacturers of art embroideries, lingerie and nappery linens, Swatow Weng Lee Company is located at 52, Nathan Road. Silk, cotton lingerie, novelties etc., form only a small portion of what Swatow Weng Lee Company manufactures in their own workshops in China.

From India, China, England, Italy and many other European countries, carpets, tapestries and upholstery of various designs and in numerous colours are the

Chinese shops gaily decorated for New Year

One of the biggest Chinese festivals in the entire Chinese lunar year is the "Sun-nien"—New Year.

According to the Chinese lunar calendar for 1950, the New Year happens to fall on Friday Next.

Since the beginning of last week, many of the mainland Chinese shops that sell Chinese native products, have already started to decorate their premises with red paper and cloth.

And, on the streets, all through Kowloon, especially Shanghai Street, where so many of the mainland Chinese stores are located, red-coloured paper bags for "Lai-sze" are already on sale.

Many wise housewives who anticipated that during the New Year season, fresh food would be hard to get, as many farmers would declare at least two days' holiday, made trips to the New Territories specially in order to purchase enough food for the coming holiday.

Aged folks in many families are now busily buying materials to make Chinese New Year's cakes which will be either eaten by their families or be presented to friends and relatives as New Year's gifts.

As they always do when an important festival is approaching, kiddies are now spending extra time after school hours to do window shopping.

Their sole aim is to select the best kind of toys or candies from the shop windows and then to persuade their parents to buy them.

main items of goods sold at Carpet Industries.

Situated at 63, Austin Road, Carpet Industries is the real place where velvet cushion covers can be obtained at moderate prices.

Visit Carpet Industries one of these days and I am sure you will agree with me that only best quality carpets are sold there.

Good food

There is nothing like a good delicious Chinese chow on New Year's Eve. The popular dining place on the mainland that can offer you excellent Chinese food at reasonable prices is the dining hall of Grand Hotel, Carnarvon Road.

Dining at the modern and well appointed dining room of Grand Hotel does not only mean that you will have good Chinese food. There is also excellent European food. And talking about dining room service, Grand Hotel dining room is tops on service.

During the Chinese New Year you may take quite a few snapshots of the true Chinese customs. If you want good pictures be sure to bring the roll of negatives to Victor Studio located in Nathan Road.

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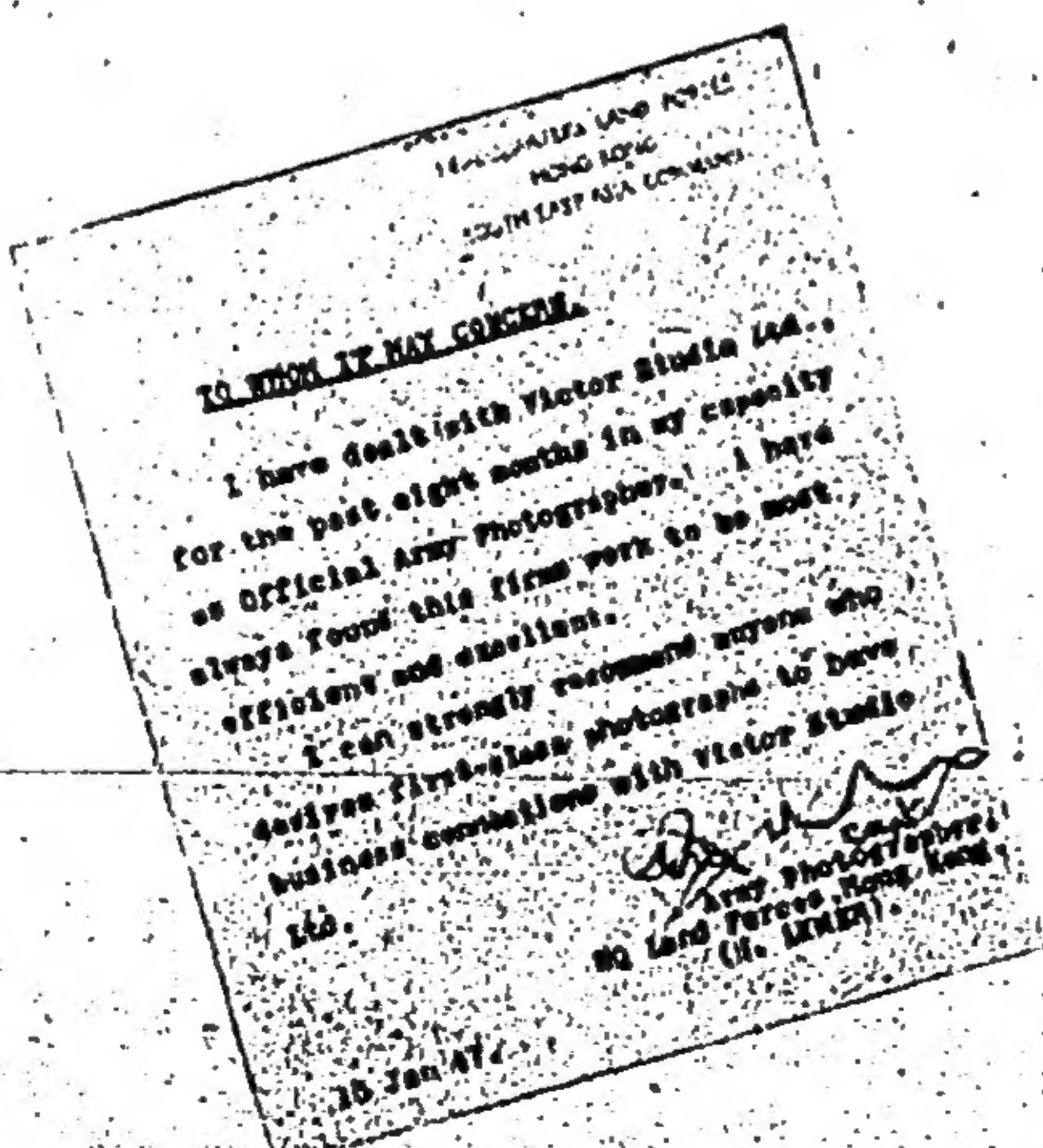
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Canadian-US defence co-operation

White Horse, Yukon, February 12. Canadian-American defence co-operation has advanced to the point where there would be "unpleasant surprises for anybody who tries to take us out," American Brigadier General George Stewart said today.

General Stewart is overall field commander of the first joint Canadian-American war games, the largest sub-Arctic winter manoeuvres ever staged, which get underway at 12.01 a.m. Yukon time today.

At that time, the elite troops of Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry move out of this base in full battle regalia to travel North Westward up the Alaskan highway with temperatures expected to go well below zero.

Meanwhile, an "aggressor force" comprising United States troops is expected to engage the Canadian forces on D-Day plus One about 237 miles West of White Horse and the battle will be on.

The mission of the Canadians is to hold the aggressors until an "allied force" moves up. The object is to retake Alaska, where the enemy is entrenched after a surprise assault.—United Press.

E. German purge continues
Berlin, February 12. The Communist-inspired purge of Liberals and Christian Democrats in the Soviet Zone, which reached its peak on Wednesday, continued at a reduced rate this week-end.

The Liberal Democratic Party's provincial committee at Schwerin today suspended Erich Freise, a member of the Mecklenburg Provincial Parliament, who has been criticised by the Communist-led Socialist Unity Party (SED) for alleged derogatory remarks about the "people's owned" industries and the activist workers' movement.

Preisemann has fled to Western Berlin, where more than 300 East Zone politicians of every level are reported to have taken refuge since the beginning of the year.—Reuter.

London, February 12. Pakistan's High Commissioner to Britain, Mr. Habib Rahimtoola, returned to London by air today after a six-week visit to Pakistan. He said that his visit had convinced him that the decision of the Pakistan Government not to devalue its rupee has been taken in the best interests of the country's trade and economy.—Reuter.

Once again Britain may face peril from the sweating mills of Japan and a new Germany out to get rich again.

Here is the first-hand background to a story which affects every worker in Britain.

Remember how, 15 years ago, British folk were shocked by the shilling shirt? Made in Japan, it was flooding the markets of the world. It was five shillings cheaper than anything the mills of Lancashire could produce. It put Lancashire cotton workers out of jobs by the thousand.

And the busy Japanese were not only making shirts. They sold the world shilling socks, 3d.-a-dozen matches, bicycles that were pounds cheaper than any—here Britain could turn out. All this the Japanese are doing. Britain had been proudly making for decades.

Is it all going to happen again? At this vital moment in Britain's recovery drive there is a chance that Britons shall have to meet the Japanese on the unfair terms that poorly-paid labour can give the manufacturers of the Far East? Many British businessmen think so.

They see the way things are going by the arrival of the Far East's first 2d. shirt. A thousand dozen piled up in a big Manchester warehouse last week.

True, these aren't Japanese shirts sneaked in from Hong Kong under Imperial Preference—they were made in Hong Kong itself from yarn spun locally or originating in the Empire.

But British manufacturers see the possible danger. Nearer home, too, they see how post-war Germany may try to enter their markets with cut-price goods.

Now let us take a close-up of two Japanese workers in Japan and Germany.

TOKYO

By Richard Hughes

Out into the snow and drizzle of a black Osaka winter morning, a 35-year-old Tsuru Zuzuki, textile worker at Koneguchi cotton mill, goes to work. Zuzuki-San, the shabbier man in the world, wears darned slippers, wooden geta (clogs), carries his lunchbox of rice, dried fish and pickles under his arm.

He faces a half-hour railway trip in a packed car to his factory, where he begins work at 8 a.m. and finishes at 5 p.m. Six days a week, earning 4,000 yen (say £4) a month.

He shares a three-roomed paper and bamboo home near the Osaka canal with his in-laws, whose own home was burned down in the early American fire raids.

With his wife, his mother-in-law, father-in-law, and two children, he sits, eats and sleeps on the matting floor of his tiny home, where all the fuel for cooking and heating is provided by charcoal.

At the factory, where American rationalisation methods have recently been spurring on production and cutting—operating cost—Zuzuki-San is one of the uncomplainingly to produce inferior textiles at one-third the cost of Lancashire textiles.

Crowding into the stuffy railway carriage beside him is his neighbour, Konichi Takahashi, who wears a 1918-style white work suit—a protection against tuberculosis germs and who labours in a grimy toy factory near Kanaguchi textile mill.

Takahashi-San wears yellow paint-wash, produced duck toys made in imitation of an English model and now selling at one-quarter of the English cost in Indonesia, India, South America.

Takahashi-San is a relatively unskilled worker, but because he has four children he earns 5,000 yen (£5) a month.

Neither Zuzuki-San nor Takahashi-San, who part with elaborate bows at the factory gates, has money, opportunity, or leisure—nor the desire for recreation or sport.

Each solemnly throws a baseball to his companion at the half-hour meal break and the two toss down a few glasses of sake (warm rice wine), or excellent Japanese beer after work on the way home.

They take their children for a walk on their weekly day off, and they are still far more comfortable in their yukata (informal Japanese kimono) than in Western-style dress.

They tend to suspect the union organisers, who urge them to unite for higher wages and a higher standard of living. So long as they have enough to eat—and by comparative standards they are eating more than English workers are—they are content to continue the ancient Japanese tradition of hard work, Spartan living, and obedience to authority.

They know that their Emperor saved them—and the world—from hardship and suffering by graciously ending the war in which the Americans were using hideously unfair bombing, and they know that the Americans are now busily helping them recover industrially.

They blandly accept their coolie-like standards of living—because they still know no other. On the bowed shoulders of eighty million Zuzukis and Takahashis Japan is doggedly hoping to win its way back to Asiatic leadership—and leadership of the world markets.

BERLIN

From Antony Terry

Cutlery, cars, cameras, toys, textiles and Rhine wine are some of the things Germany hopes to sell to the world in increasing quantities during the next few years.

Typical of the energy the Germans are putting into rebuilding their export trade is the spectacular post-war comeback of the £2,000,000 people's car plant near Brunswick.

Four miles of factory built by Hitler to make "amphibious jeeps" to carry his armies across France and Russia finished up a mass of twisted scrap-iron after a dozen heavy RAF raids in 1944.

When British troops took over the plant the official description was "70 per cent destroyed." British Control Commission officials who followed the troops immediately set about putting the Volkswagen factory on its feet again.

The brilliant American-trained director of the Volkswagen plant hopes eventually to oust British cars from Scandinavian and other European markets and to step up output to 60,000 cars a year.

Working conditions in the Volkswagen factory, where 10,000 are now employed, are good by German standards. Forty-nine-year-old Kurt Schreeder, who earns 25 a week fitting "luxury upholstery" inside the



THE TWENTY-THIRD MAN

CHALLENGE TO AMERICA

Recent weeks have seen the jet-propelled Comet airliner cruising six miles up at nearly 600 mph, the new prop-jet Viscount and Apollo medium-range airliners setting revolutionary standards in quiet and vibration free flight, and swept-wing fighters able to fly faster than sound.

This is the promising civil aviation picture. A far cry indeed from the days of 1948-49, when, emerging from wartime specialisation on military planes, Britain found herself without a modern airliner, reduced to hasty uneconomic conversions of warplanes to reopen her overseas airways.

Yet today Britain's airlines are still largely dependent on those machines. BOAC is, in fact, now just receiving those planes ordered two years ago. They will have to stay in use for some years ahead.

Coincidentally, British manufacturers have exported £33,000,000 worth of planes and parts in the past year. This seeming paradox holds the key to a situation which is a continual puzzle to the layman.

Civil air transport dating only from 1918 is probably the youngest of Britain's big industries and has expanded violently to its present status. With its growing size and complexity, the modern airliner takes five to seven years from its birth to its introduction into airlines service.

At the same time, due to its heavy cost, it must give at the very least five years' efficient service before its initial cost is recouped.

Planners drawing up the initial specification must, therefore, foresee the demands of five years hence if they are to have a

£440 expert model of the Volkswagen, pays 10s. a week for his spotlessly clean, simply furnished—single room—on the Nazi-built housing estate—and, of course, he has no fares to pay. He cycles to work, pays £1 a week to his landlady for a single meat-meal a day and takes a packet of brown bread and dripping for his mid-shift meal.

success. A wrong guess means a costly failure, for there is no halfway house.

The Tudor controversy, which raged for two of the post-war years, illustrated the impossibility

By
Harry C. Drake

In practice of planners changing their minds as the aircraft takes shape.

So today, while British airlines "fly American," British manufacturers are showing that there is high promise in the drastic decision two and a half years ago to pin faith onto the new "Jet Age"—brought to practical fruition in fact by our military fighter development during the war.

It seems perhaps ironic to the Americans that whereas the famous wartime decision committing Britain to warplane development, and the USA to transport planes, left America in a position of great civil aviation strength in 1946—and brought the airlines of the world queuing to her factories for orders to restart their services—it set Britain on the path to jet-propulsion, in which she holds a two-year lead and has practical new jet airliners in the air.

A vital question, to be answered only by the experience of 1950 and 1951, is whether the whole future of civil air transport lies with the "jet" both the straight-through engine and that harnessed to drive a propeller.

If the jet's great advantages—setting a new standard in comfort, greatly increased speed and less inflammable and cheaper fuel—prevail over its present problems of great "thrust," air control difficulties, and the somewhat unknown conditions at 40,000 feet—where it operates best, then Britain must liberally lead supreme in civil aviation in a few years.

National pride
Full achievement of that ideal means selling to the USA—the hardest business in the world—and even allowing for complete success of the "Jet Age," American national pride must not be underestimated.

Britain's lead today is a challenge and a spur to the American industry, and efforts to produce a jet airliner over there within the next five years must be expected. The British State-owned airlines have pledged their faith by ordering the Comet for BOAC's long-distance routes and the prop-jet Viscount for BEA's medium-stage services. These should be in service two years before any possible U.S. type.

Both corporations, however,

have "insurances" against failure of the new aircraft in service. By 1952-53 both airlines will have only a portion of their fleets dependent on jet propulsion—BOAC's Constellations and Herons (still to come) with useful life left, while BEA have concurrently ordered piston-engined Ambassadors to share their routes with the Viscount.

This arrangement, giving the planners the greatest possible flexibility to offset competing themselves so far in advance, must necessarily be costly.

Most intriguing problem of 1950 is whether American airlines will consider the British threat so serious as to over-come their natural prejudice and place orders here.

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Soviet letter on atomic control talks

London, February 12. Radio Moscow today broadcast the text of the Soviet complaint to the United Nations declaring Russia is not to blame for the breaking off of the United Nations atomic control talks.

The broadcast quoted a Tass news agency despatch on a letter sent by Russia's United Nations delegate, Mr. Jacob Malik, to the UN Secretary General, Mr. Trygve Lie in connection with a statement issued by the Western members of the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission.

The letter said: "The assertion in the statement of the representatives of the United States, Britain, France and Canada that important and serious consultations on the atomic question had been broken off as a result of the position taken by the Soviet Union is incorrect and distorts the stand of the Soviet delegation on these questions."

The broadcast then quoted the text of statements made by the representative of the Soviet Union at the consultative conference of permanent members of the Atomic Energy Commission on January 19. The letter stated the Soviet delegate at that time merely supported the demand of the Chinese Communist Government for the exclusion of the Nationalist delegates, and proposed this exclusion.

The representatives of the United States, Britain, France and Canada rejected this proposal of the Soviet Republic as a result of which the USSR was obliged to leave the consultative conference and at the same time make an appropriate statement," said the broadcast.—United Press.

Culcutta, February 12. Vigorous police and military patrols continued here today—the fourth day of communal disturbances—and the curfew was extended to a few more places in West Bengal, an official communiqué said.

Incidents in the city today included four stabbing cases and two cases of arson, the communiqué said.—Reuter.

Editor's Note:—Ever since independence came to the Indian sub-continent and a new Muslim state, Pakistan, was created, tension has been mounting on Pakistan's North Western frontier, home of the independent and warlike Pathan tribes. A vitally interested party and Pakistan's chief antagonist in this situation is Afghanistan. This article explores Afghanistan's concern and gives the background of a conflict which many qualified observers fear may soon burst into actual war.

By ARNOLD FLETCHER

Kabul, Afghanistan, February 12.

The two-year-old cold war between Afghanistan and Pakistan increases daily in virulence and heat.

It has indirectly involved India, it appears to be gaining the serious attention of the Soviet policy-makers and seems almost certain to draw in other powers as supporters, if not allies, of one side or the other if it explodes into a fighting war.

So far the weapons have been only propaganda and diplomacy. Early in January Afghanistan and India signed a five-year treaty of peace and friendship providing stronger diplomatic ties and mutual economic assistance.

Some interpreters explain India's sympathy with Afghanistan by pointing out that if Pathan tribesmen are involved in hostilities on the Afghan-Pakistan border, they will not be available to engage in India-Pakistan hostilities in Kashmir.

Afghanistan recently reversed her old attitude of fear and suspicion towards Russia. The signs of this were the employment of Soviet technicians by the Afghan government and the first visit to Kabul of a Soviet trade mission.

The current crisis in relations between Afghanistan and Pakistan began in November, 1947, when a special envoy, Najibullah Khan, was sent from Kabul to Karachi for a series of conferences with the Governor-General Mohammed Ali Jinnah, father of the Pakistan nation, and Zafarullah Khan, Pakistan's foreign minister.

Autonomy promised

After some initial hesitation, according to Najibullah Jinnah stated that Pakistan recognised the independence of the Pathan Tribes and promised that the administered Pathan area would have an autonomous government, independent in all matters but defence, foreign relations, and communications.

The Afghan envoy returned to Kabul. But on the day following his interview with Jinnah, Liaquat Ali Khan, prime minister of Pakistan, in a speech in Peshawar said that the free tribes are an integral part of Pakistan and possess in no way a separate identity.

Widely accepted

This is a widely accepted belief in Afghanistan, and is based upon the large number of Englishmen who are still in the Pakistan government service; the ill-timed visit of Anthony Eden to Landi Kotal, and various statements in the British press.

Pakistan immediately retaliated to the Afghan attack with a radio and press campaign of its own, stressing defects in the Afghan government.

On June 1, 1949, a new factor entered the confused situation with the appearance in Waziristan of a certain Mohammed Amin, half brother of Amanullah Khan, the Afghan King deposed in 1929 and at present living in Rome. Amin, well-supplied with money, began raising a force of tribes with the avowed purpose of invading Afghanistan and restoring his half brother to the Afghan throne.

Faced with this threat, the Afghan government called up the Afghan fighting tribes, who, as militia in return for freedom from army service.

Amin and the Waziris failed to appear, but on June 13, a Pakistan plane crossed the Durand Line and dropped five rocket bombs on the assembled tribesmen, killing at least 25.

According to Pakistan, the pilot did not know that he had crossed the border and merely retaliated to a hail of rifle fire from what he imagined were hostile Waziris.

The Afghans, however, state that their tribesmen did not fire at the plane and that the pilot was engaged in dropping anti-Afghan leaflets.

The Afghan government behaved with surprising moderation.

Clothes from grain

Biloxi, February 12.

U. S. Department of Agriculture scientists have learned how to make clothing from maize, Frank L. Teuton, head of the information division of the Department's Bureau of Agricultural and Industrial Chemistry, told the Southern Association of Agricultural Workers in a speech today.

Mr. Teuton said the Bureau had developed a method of producing fabrics from the protein, zinc, found in maize, and had sold the formula to a manufacturer who is already turning out dresses and suits. The fibre could be mixed with wool or rayon depending upon the finish desired. He said, "I am weaving a suit made wholly of maize fibre."

Mr. Teuton also said that a process has been developed by which newsprint can be made from wheat straw and one Chicago newspaper is experimenting with such print.

Scientists are looking for uses for 175,000,000 pounds of chicken feathers wasted yearly, he revealed.

Mr. Teuton said the Bureau has developed two new cotton fabrics, one completely water-repellent which can be manufactured from cotton fibres normally considered a waste.—United Press.

and the incident was referred to a committee for arbitration.

Steady tension

Since then, the situation has remained one of steady tension, although actual acts of hostility have been avoided. The Afghans insist, nevertheless, that they have not moderated their demands for the independence of the tribal areas and the creation of an independent Pushtoonistan.

Last November, the Afghan Press and radio proclaimed establishment of the "Independent Pushtoonistan by Afghani Pathans" meeting at Tirah Dach, near the Khyber pass.

The eventual outcome is, of course, unpredictable. It is possible that the Afghans would actually begin hostilities with their larger neighbour, if they were certain of the co-operation of the tribes and the non-interference of Britain.

If fighting were resumed between India and Pakistan and Kashmir, many think the Afghans would almost certainly seize the opportunity for their own attack. Pakistan, on the other hand, is not anxious for trouble on its North Western border. For reasons of national security, however, it is determined to retain sovereignty over the Pathans.

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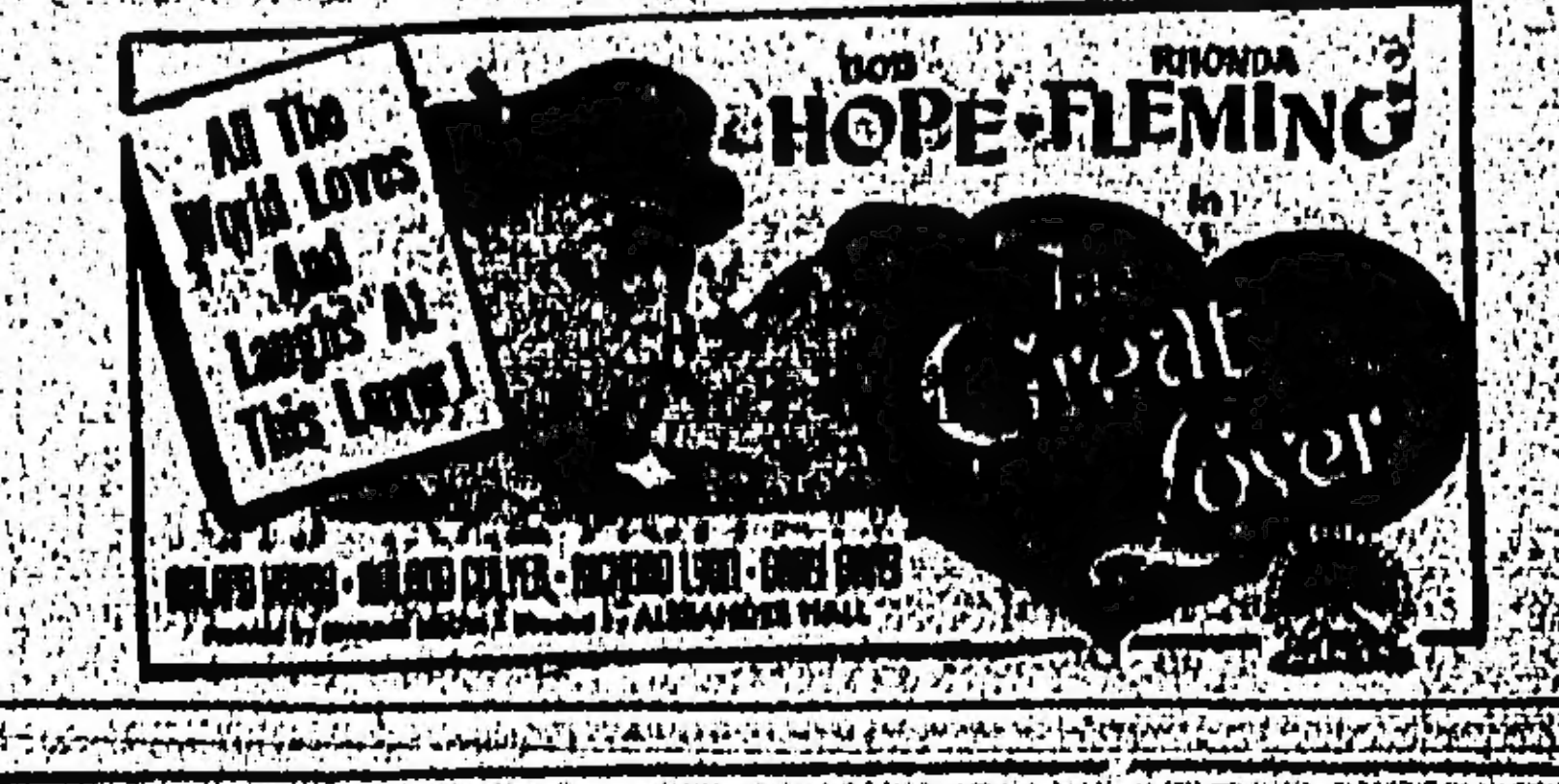
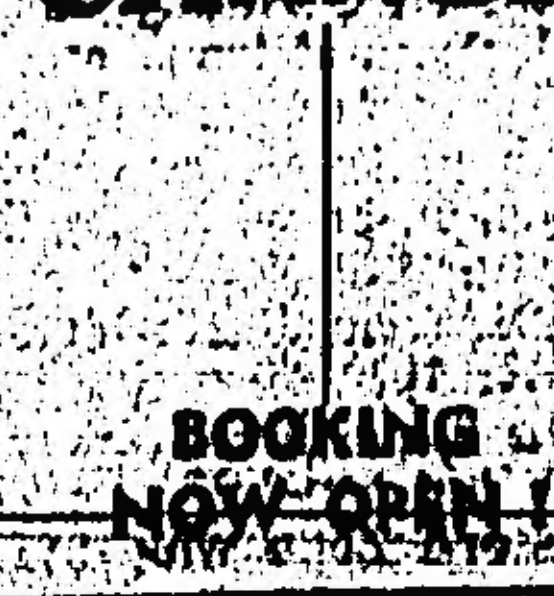
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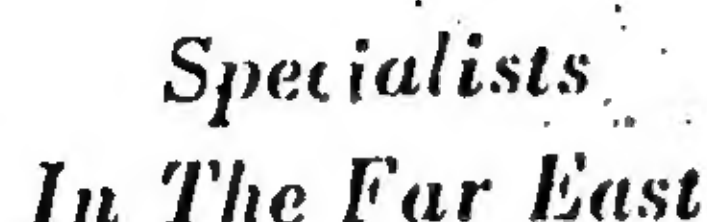
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CHURCHILL'S PLAN IS REJECTED BY U.M.W

Labour party opens campaign's "Big Week" CHURCHILL A DICTATOR

London, February 12.

Among the first Labour leaders to react vigorously to Winston Churchill's blueprint was Sir William Lawther, President of the National Union of Mine Workers, in an address tonight at Loughborough. Sir William said: "We judge the Tories by their performances and not by their promises. Never again will sensible men and women trust such false friends."

Victor Feather, Assistant Secretary of the British Trade Union Congress, in an address at Wolverhampton, accused the Conservatives of historic opposition to Labour Union aspirations.

"Trade Unionists had to spend millions of pounds to get a shorter week," he said. "Workers had a long and bitter struggle against Tory employers assisted by Tory governments."

He added, "It was the Tories who sought to weaken the Trade Unions at every opportunity. They do not want people to feel secure. They want them to be in a state of fear—fear of loss of their jobs, of getting into debt, of getting old, of becoming ill."

Speaking at Blyth, Northumberland, Alfred Robens, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Fuel and Power, assailed Mr. Churchill's recent tentative suggestion that petrol supplies might be increased or rationing abolished.

"More dollars spent on petrol means less for other things. Where is the cut to be made?" he asked. "In wheat, timber, non-ferrous metals and the essential raw materials now being bought from the American continent?"

Speaking at Widnes, Lancashire, Emanuel Shinwell, Secretary of State for War, referred to Mr. Churchill as a garrulous old gentleman.

Demand recalled

He recalled a demand by Mr. Churchill some months ago for an election early this year and added that he was now asking the Labour Party to do so. He said that the Labour Party had decided on an early election because it was afraid of drawing up a new budget which voters might disapprove.

The Minister of Fuel, Hugh Gaitskell, at Hemsworth, Yorkshire, emphasised the Labour Party's policy of maintaining employment and said unemployment figures are now 300,000 compared with 1,300,000 four years after the first war.

"Unemployment in Germany and Italy, both nations receiving Marshall Aid, is five and six times higher than it is in Britain," he said. Abolition of controls, he insisted, accounts for the rise of unemployment in Italy and Germany.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, speaking at Bristol, assailed the policy of bulk buying of food and raw materials. He dismissed as a vote-catching stunt statements that abolition of bulk buying would lower food prices.

The fact is, Sir Stafford asserted, that some free economy countries of Europe want Britain to abolish bulk buying because they hope to get high prices from private buyers. Commonwealth lands, he said, would strongly object to the abandoning of bulk purchasing contracts.

"A dictator"

Meanwhile, the deputy Prime Minister, Herbert Morrison, opened the big week of the British election campaign today by calling Winston Churchill a dictator.

Speaking for Labour at Exeter, Mr. Morrison charged Mr. Churchill with trying to force the Liberals to withdraw in favour of the Tories.

"The trouble with the Conservative leader, whether as a candidate, broadcaster or in the House of Commons, is that he will go on as if he were still Prime Minister," said Mr. Morrison.

He also accused the Tories of bowing to Lord Beaverbrook, strongly pro-empire publisher of the London "Daily Express," in flourishing Commonwealth and Empire with great vigour.

Continuing their no campaign on Sunday rule, the Conservatives were quiet today.

Mr. Morrison's speech came today, beginning what election observers say is the "big week" of the campaign. Campaigning will slope off in the final days before balloting on February 23.—Associated Press and United Press.

Point four programme lauded

Washington, February 12.

The Under-Secretary of State, James Webb, said today that President Truman's "Point Four" programme would help prevent Communist inroads in the world's underdeveloped areas.

In a radio interview, Mr. Webb also lauded the "Point Four" plan as a means of increasing future markets for American goods.

"The more highly developed a country is, the more purchasing power its people have and the more they buy from us and other countries," he said.

Asked about the dangers of Communism in underdeveloped areas, which he listed as Asia, Africa, Latin America and parts of Europe, Mr. Webb said that was a "very important point—perhaps the most important." "Whenever people see a chance of becoming better fed, better housed and better educated, they are likely to reject desperate remedies such as Communism and to begin to appreciate the values of the free and democratic way of life."

The administration has asked for US\$45,000,000 for the first year's operation of the "Point Four" programme and legislation to provide this is before Congress.

Mr. Webb stressed that the new aid programme was an example of constructive aspects of the United States' foreign policy and urged Americans not to over-emphasize "destructive forces" such as the hydrogen superbomb and the differences between the United States and Russia.

He said that both he and the Secretary of State, Dean Acheson, were dissatisfied with the State Department's present relations with the public, but added that they were making some progress toward providing people with facts of our foreign affairs.—United Press.

English coast gale abates

London, February 12.

The gale which has lashed the English Coast in the last few days abated in the river Mersey Area today, allowing vessels which had been delayed to enter dock.

The Cunard liner, Parthia, docked from New York a day later. The River Severn, in South West England, was still in flood. At Worcester the river was more than nine feet above normal after a six-foot rise in 48 hours. There were no floods yet in Worcester itself but the river was still rising.

Many roads in Northern England and Scotland were snow-covered and ice-bound.—Reuter.

ROAD TO BERLIN CLOSED

Berlin, February 12.

Russia's "little blockade" of Berlin was clamped on again tonight after almost 24 hours of normal truck traffic through the checkpoint at Helmstedt, 110 miles West of here.

German police on the British side of the Soviet-Western border said at 1900 GMT that 25 trucks were backlogged. The police said the Russians had permitted only four trucks to pass through the checkpoint on the road to Berlin during the past hour.

During the day light truck traffic on the Autobahn from Helmstedt to Berlin was passed quickly by Russian guards and there was no evidence of the "baby blockade." However, Western officials cautioned against anticipating a change in the recent Soviet slowdown policy.

Meanwhile, an East German government official promised that the Communist "National Front" would support a mass meeting of 500,000 youths in Berlin on May 27-30. Alfred Wunderlich, deputy Minister of Industry, said: "The entire National Front of Berlin will attend with them and will support them during their peace demonstration and will, if necessary, protect them."—United Press.

Malayan civilians mobilised

Singapore, February 12.

Tens of thousands of Malayan civilians were being mobilised today for an intended knock-out blow to Chinese Communist bands.

Officials said more than 100,000 citizens will take the offensive in "anti-bandit month" against the handful of jungle bands who for more than a year and a half have plagued the country with terrorist tactics. Just when they will go into action is known only to British High Commissioner, Sir Henry Gurney.

The purpose of the operation is to make Malaya's plantations, towns, villages and jungle paths safe from Southeast Asian Communists.

Already the campaign seems to have been largely effective in halting the ordinary man-to-man fighting against the guerrillas and murder that has kept Malaya in tension for 18 months.—Associated Press.

Republicans likely to drop China intervention issue

Washington, February 12.

Republicans who spent the first weeks of the Congressional session denouncing President Truman's hands off China policy are believed to be about ready to drop the issue.

The reasons are: 1. The new Republican statement of "principles and objectives" carried not a line on China in its foreign policy plank.

2. Republican Senators let \$10,500,000 on the Korean aid bill for the Chinese Nationalists on Taiwan slide through last week without a single word of debate.

Senator H. Alexander Smith, one of the leading Republican spokesmen for all-out United States efforts to keep the Communists out of Taiwan, told a re-orientation of the Republican foreign policy plank did not mean Democrats for lack of a China policy.

But this version was not adopted. Senator William Knowland explained that mention of the China issue in the policy statement probably would have necessitated dealing specifically with many other geographical questions as well.

Instead, the Republicans reaffirmed their faith in the bipartisan foreign policy but called for full consultation in its initiation and development.

Senator Arthur Vandenberg, chief architect of the bipartisan approach, played the leading role in drafting the foreign policy plank. It is reported that he urged his colleagues to go slow on any statement on China that might be construed as a bid for United States intervention in the Chinese civil war.

Although this view prevailed, reference to the tragic consequences of the secret agreements made at Yalta and Potsdam was added at the last minute and only after Senator Vandenberg had gone over the document.

Draws criticism

It was this reference which drew criticism from some Republicans on the grounds that it was looking backward not forward. Paradoxically, Democratic leaders at the moment at least are pushing for reassessment of the United States Far Eastern policy.

Chairman Tom Connally of the Foreign Relations Committee said the Joint Chiefs of Staff will shortly be called before this committee to report on their just-completed Pacific survey trip. The Chiefs, led by their chairman, General Omar Bradley, reported to President Truman on Saturday and planned a Press conference for Monday.

General Bradley told Connally's committee before departing for the Pacific that Taiwan, in unfriendly hands, would have unfavourable strategic consequences for the United States. But he also said the Joint Chiefs favoured no military intervention there.

Anglo-U.S. naval exercises

Manila, February 13.

The first post-war United States-British naval manoeuvres in Philippine waters will start the week of March 3, the Collector of Customs at Manila Port said he had been informed.

There was no immediate comment from U.S. or British official sources, although it is known the carrier Boxer and units of the American Western Pacific Fleet are to be in this area at that time.

The report aroused interest locally because of the possibility that the Chinese Communists may attempt to invade Taiwan about that time.

The Customs Collector said arrangements had been made to extend the courtesies of the port to the British Far Eastern Fleet commanded by Admiral Sir Patrick Brind, who will fly his flag on the dispatch vessel HMS Albatross.

Other British ships listed as intending to pay a call at Manila, either before or after the joint exercises, are the aircraft carrier, HMS Triumph; HMS Kenya, HMS Jamaica; HMS Cossack; HMS Comus; HMS Cockade; HMS Consort; HMS Constance; destroyers, the frigates Cardigan Bay, Whitehead Bay and the supply ships HMS Charlotte and Green Ranger.

The U.S. maintains naval bases at Sangley Point, Manila Bay, and at Olongapo, on Subic Bay on the Western side of Batang Peninsula. Recently Vice Admiral Russell Berkeley, commanding the U.S. Pacific Fleet, told the Associated Press the Boxer shortly will appear in the Philippines.—Associated Press.

Vietminh to fight any aggressor

Bangkok, February 12.

Nguyen Duc Quy, Vietminh representative in Bangkok, at a Press conference today claimed that Vietminh troops would battle any invading troops, including the Chinese Reds, if they threatened to infringe on Vietminh independence. He refused to be pinned down on the question of whether he would battle the Chinese Reds under any conditions.

Mr. Quy said he did not know if the Vietminh president, Ho Chi-minh, was a Communist, but admitted that four members of the Vietminh government belonged to the Marxist study group which was made up of former Red Party members. These were the commander-in-chief and Defence Minister, General M. Vo Nguyen Giap, the vice-minister of Education, Nguyen Khanh Toan, the Labour Minister, Nguyen Van Tao, and the Finance Minister, Le Van Hien.

Answering a question, he said Vietminh would consider negotiations with the French only if Vietminh is given full recognition and all French troops are withdrawn. "Only then could Vietminh consider the question of remaining outside of or joining the French Union."

He said, if as reported, the Vietnamese Premier, Nguyen Phan Long, was intending to go to Hanoi to attempt to contact Ho Chi-minh's Foreign Minister with a view to negotiations, he would be disappointed because "there can be no agreement between the invaders and defenders of the country."

Mediation attempt

Mr. Quy said any question of Jawaharlal Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, acting as a United Nations mediator between Vietnam and Vietminh would have to be referred to Ho Chi-minh.

He denied that the recent recognition of Ho Chi-minh by Moscow and Red satellites implied that Vietminh would become a Russian satellite too. He said the fact that Vietminh had been battling the French for freedom for more than four years was sufficient indication that "we will be satellites to nobody and are only seeking our own independence."

Asked if Vietminh would welcome volunteers from Red China in its fight against the French, he said, "No. We do not want any foreign troops. We have plenty of our own."

He then predicted all-out, full-scale war against the French soon and said this would not be guerrilla warfare but a head-on clash.

The Vietminh spokesman at the conference said this all-out attack would start within a few months, beginning in the North.

The first moves, he added, would probably be against Cao-bang, Langson and Monay along the Tonkin-Chinese border, then against the larger Tonkin cities, Hanoi and Haiphong. He said he was confident Hanoi would be in the complete control of Vietminh by the end of the year.

Referring to recent Vietminh statements that an entire contingent of Chinese Nationalist troops was wiped out near Cao-bang, Mr. Quy said these had been "coming to aid beleaguered French troops and were fighting alongside the French—they were heavily armed." He claimed the Vietminh forces killed, captured or wounded 4,000 Nationalists "of reaction-

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BRITAIN INTENSIFYING PRESSURE TO SETTLE STERLING LIABILITIES

Washington, February 12.

Recent economic developments in Britain may have intensified the pressure to seek a settlement of her vast sterling liabilities, an article in the official Foreign Commerce Weekly said today.

It pointed out that the solution to the sterling balances problem must take into account not only economic but equally complex social and political factors as well.

"Moreover, such a solution cannot be the result solely of British policy with respect to these balances, but must be negotiated with the other countries involved," the article said.

Reds leave churches alone

Alexandria, Virginia,
February 12.

A Methodist missionary who spent seven years in China said today that Christian churches are operating unmolested under the Communist regime.

Dr. J. Harry Haines said in a sermon at Trinity Methodist church that there are approximately 1,000 Protestant missionaries in China, including 100 sponsored by the Methodist Board of Missions.

In one area of China alone, at Fukien, South of Shanghai, eight new Methodist churches have been opened in the last six months, he noted.

Recent reports indicate that attendance is heavy at all Protestant churches throughout China. Dr. Haines added, observing that in recent weeks consent has been given for the arrival in Peking of additional missionaries.

He said that 13 colleges throughout China jointly sponsored by Protestant churches before and during the war are still open, and have large voluntary enrollments in religious training courses.

All hospitals operated by Protestant churches in the past 15 years are still functioning and treating thousands of patients monthly, he added.

Denouncing Communism as a force that would destroy the dignity and value of the individual, Dr. Haines declared, "the battle for Asia today is the struggle to control men's minds."

—Associated Press.

PI constabulary starts war against Moros

Manila, February 13.

The Philippine Constabulary has begun two drives against Moro dissidents in Lanao province, Mindanao, and at least three soldiers have been wounded in the opening encounters, according to Press reports from Dansalan, capital of Lanao.

The reports said one band of dissidents, led by Tangawan, were entrenched in Kapatran valley, while a second band under Datu Gradawali was at Maguing. One dissident was reported to have been killed.

The motive for the Lanao Moros' dissidence was not clear, but Moroland has been the scene of off and on Constabulary campaigns against outlaws. There were no new reports about the situation on Jolo, where the Constabulary has been attacking outlaws who are under the Moro Kamilon.

These difficulties do not necessarily mean that no adequate settlement of the sterling balances can be worked out, but they do point to why the problem of sterling balances must continue to influence the international trade and financial policy of the United Kingdom for some time to come.

Britain's external sterling liabilities were given as £3,223 million at June 30, 1949, compared with £3,700 million at the end of 1948, a reduction of nearly £500 million since 1940.

Marked shift

The article noted a marked shift in the distribution of the sterling balances among the different creditor nations since 1945. Accumulated balances held by Argentina and Brazil had been reduced through the sale of British-owned railways in those countries, while the sterling balances of Egypt, India, Pakistan and Ceylon had been reduced through periodic releases from the blocked balances.

At the same time, the sterling balances of some of the other sterling area countries, notably Australia and British West Africa, had continued to grow.

"One way of describing this trend is to say that there has been a transfer of some of the United Kingdom's liabilities from those creditor nations, which might be expected successfully to exert pressure for further releases, to those which can be expected to co-operate with the British efforts to keep these funds under control," the article said.—Reuter.

Everybody is busy and happy

Tokyo, February 13.

Peking Radio said today in a broadcast monitored here that teachers and students throughout China are now making full use of the winter holidays after a "busy school term."

Here is how some of them are keeping busy, the broadcast continued:

Scholars, writers and scientists are lecturing youngsters desirous of increasing their knowledge and acquiring a new revolutionary outlook on life.

University Professors and students from Peking are taking part in the national reform movement aided by the Democratic Youth League and members of the Student Federation.

Teachers in Port Arthur and Dairen are studying Soviet

Egypt firm on oil shipments

Cairo, February 12.

The Waftist organ Al Balagh, reporting what it called the official text of the Nahas-Pasha conversation in Cairo on January 29, said today that Nahas Pasha categorically refused to allow the passage of crude oil through the Suez Canal to Haifa either at present or in future.

The paper said Mr. Bevin, the British Foreign Secretary, pointed out that Britain lost more than US\$50,000,000 monthly by buying oil which she could obtain cheaply through her Haifa refinery in Egypt.

It said Nahas Pasha replied: "It is impossible that I allow oil to pass through the Canal in order to be refined in any place under Jewish control. I will never let anything that could be of use to the Jews pass through Egyptian territory."

Al Balagh also said Nahas Pasha also refused to allow passage through the Canal of oil destined for European refineries, saying: "I have no way of knowing that the tankers would really go to Europe after passing through the Canal and not turning toward Haifa as soon as we lost control over them outside our territorial waters."

The paper said Nahas Pasha blamed the British for failing to expand Egyptian refineries or build new refineries in Egypt, in which case both Britain and Egypt would have benefited.

It said Mr. Bevin finally asked: "Do I understand Your Excellency refuses to discuss matters in the future?"

Nahas Pasha reported: "I cannot agree to let crude oil pass through to Haifa either at present or in the future."

Al Balagh said that Nahas Pasha later reported the conversation to King Farouk, who expressed his approval.—United Press.

educational theory and teaching methods.

Students in Chungking and other "newly liberated cities" are taking part in the "city's taking-over work."

Other students are helping the government in social welfare work and pushing the sale of people's victory bonds.

The broadcast did not say how the students and educators were enjoying their winter holidays.—Associated Press.



A frogman swimming under water at the Amphibious School, Royal Marines, Portsmouth, Hampshire, England, recently. These frogmen, used extensively during the war to damage enemy shipping, were recently used in the search for a boy believed to have drowned in a canal. Notice the rubber paddles on the feet, from which the frogmen derive their name.—Associated Press Photo.

Armament race is dangerous--Einstein

New York, February 12.

Professor Albert Einstein, speaking on a television programme today, said that the idea of achieving security through national armament was, at the present state of military technique, a dangerous illusion.

He added that "on the part of the United States this illusion has been particularly fostered by the fact that this country succeeded first in producing an atomic bomb."

Professor Einstein's remarks were recorded at his home at Princeton, New Jersey, for presentation today on the opening of a television series in which Mrs. Franklin Roosevelt is to be hostess to world leaders and famous dignitaries.

Today's series was entitled "Atomic Energy and the Hydrogen Bomb."

Professor Einstein said that the armaments race, between the United States and Soviet Russia, though originally supposed to be a preventive measure, had assumed a hysterical character.

"On both sides the means to mass destruction are perfected with feverish haste—behind their respective walls of secrecy," he said.

"The H-bomb appears on the public horizon as a probably attainable goal. Its accelerated development has been solemnly proclaimed by the President."

"Every step appears as the unavoidable consequence of the preceding one. In the end there becomes more and more clearly general annihilation."

"A solemn renunciation of violence is necessary," he added.

"Such renunciation can only be effective if, at the same time, a supra-national judicial and executive body is set up."—Reuter.

De Gaulle prepares for elections

Paris, February 12.

General Charles de Gaulle, who headed France's first post-war Government, will put up candidates in all the 90 departments at the next General Election, usually reliable sources at the Gaullist Rally of the French People headquarters said today.

The General himself, winding up a three-day session of the movement's National Council, said that each candidate would have to be an established member of the movement.

They would go to the country on a platform whose main plank would be inclusion of resources for end Communist agitation, a strong national defence, co-operation as an equal partner with the United States on the basis of the Atlantic Pact, and active French leadership in uniting Western Europe.

At the 1947 municipal elections and the 1948 Senate elections many Radical, Independent and Right-wing candidates got elected on a Party plus Gaullist ticket. They merely had to signify their agreement with the main aims of the Gaullist movement.

But General de Gaulle indicated that this will not be the case at the next Election which the National Council thinks is possible this year instead of at the end of the constitutional parliamentary term in October 1951.

Gaullist officials told Reuter that for the next Election there would be no joint tickets or "bigamous" alliances.

Only men and women who had joined the movement and proved the sincerity of their support would be accepted as Parliamentary candidates.

A Gaullist spokesman said that the movement throughout France was now felt to have taken sufficiently strong steps to "make it independent of half-hearted alliances."—Reuter.

Strikers to ignore orders

Washington, February 12. U. S. coal miners who are on strike apparently intend to ignore the orders they have received from their leader John L. Lewis, to return to work on Monday, the Presidents of six United Mine Workers' (UMW) districts said today.

Lewis today telegraphed UMW officials to order the 37,000 miners to resume work in compliance with the U.S. order.

"Nothing short of a contract will make the miners produce coal again," they said.

Feblous rank and file supported this view.

A President Harry Truman direction, Federal District Judge Richmond Keach yesterday issued a 10-day temporary order for miners to resume work.

He also called a hearing February 20 to determine whether the directive should be continued for the full 90 days provided by the Taft-Hartley Act.

Judge Keach directed Lewis resume bargaining and to drop his four major demands in negotiations for a new contract. America's coal supplies estimated as sufficient to three weeks.

More than 35,000 workers industries dependent on coal have been laid off so far and number is expected to rise sharply unless the strike ends soon.

A UMW source said that Lewis has complied to the letter with the Government orders and cannot be held responsible if miners refuse to work.

The main contract demands an increase in wages from US\$14.05 a day to US\$15 and royalty of 35 cents per ton coal mined to finance pension and welfare benefits.—Associated Press.

Australian pound to be revalued?

New York, February 12.

The "New York Times" today that rumours were circulating in New York's foreign exchange markets that the Australian Pound would soon be valued to bring it to parity with the Pound Sterling.

The newspaper, in its financial section, said that because of rumours the price of Australian Pounds for delivery next summer had risen to \$2.29 compared with the regular price of \$2 and one-quarter cent.

The "Times" reported that Australian banking interests New York insisted that the revaluation reports were speculation.

Some dealers in British Sterling felt that the Pound would suffer a setback if the Labor Government was returned to power in the February 23 Election, the paper said.—Reuter.

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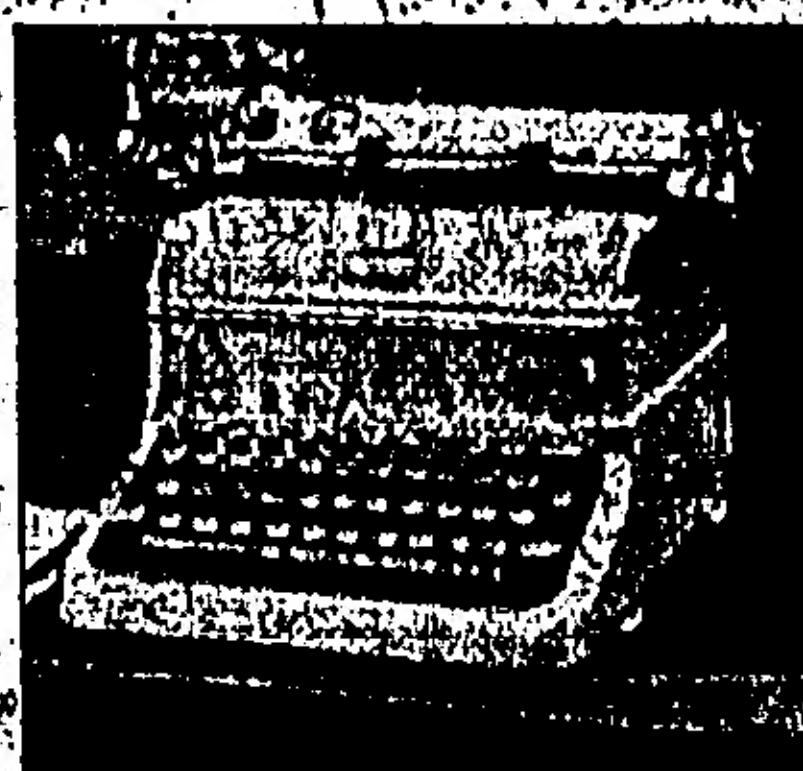
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NY paper's comment on Socialists

New York, February 12. The "New York Sunday News," in an editorial today entitled "Are Britons Lions or Mice," said the forthcoming general election asks the British to determine "whether they will choose to suffer through still more years of Socialist austerity or, like their New Zealand and Australian cousins, will they kick the Socialists out and beg their Conservatives to please rescue them from their welfare state miseries?"

The "News" added that the British Socialists' "love for murderous controls and taxes (40 per cent against an average 25 in the U.S.) hits the modest worker almost as hard as it does the high-pressure Briton who, whatever his faults in days gone by, did give the empire some centuries of greatness."

"Today's British workers in steel and other basic industries get about half the weekly wage of their American counterpart."

"To keep him from open rebellion, the welfare state rulers have gone all out with propaganda to convince the bewildered guy that some of his miseries, anyway, are counter-balanced by the free beams of Socialism—pills, china choppers (teeth), wigs, etc."

The newspaper asks, "But will even Winston Churchill's acid eloquence win the current election battle. Some observers fear that Winston... is too honest a statesman to succeed as a politician."—Associated Press.

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Enrique Alberdi captain of the Venado Tuerto Polo Team of Argentina, is congratulated by Mrs. Eva Peron as her husband, President Peron, pins the Peronistic Medal to his jacket during a reception at the River Plate Stadium, Buenos Aires. The Venado Tuerto recently won the world polo competition in the Argentine. The reception was organized by leading Argentine sports officials to thank the President for his work in promoting sports activities in his country.—Associated Press Photo.

Theory of disease may be answer to unknown maladies

Montreal, February 12.

A theory of disease which his associates called the greatest concept since Pasteur, brought credit to Dr. Hans Selye of the University of Montreal for what the medical world believes answers the mystery of diseases "of unknown nature."

Until the brilliant professor revealed the results of his extensive research, the medical profession classed diseases as one of two types—infectious ones, such as pneumonia, typhoid and influenza, and neoplastic ones, such as non-malignant tumors and malignant tumors or cancer.

Other diseases, including the whole range of rheumatic fever, high blood pressure, arthritis, and nephrocereclerosis, were called simply "diseases of unknown nature."

Selye, now 42 years old, worked on his theory for 13 years as head of the Institute of Experimental Medicine and Surgery at the University of Montreal.

His theory is based on the premise that the "unknown nature" diseases were caused by stress. "When an organism meets a change of environment—physical, chemical, biological—or neuro-genic—it always according to a pattern," Selye believes. This pattern he argues, always follows three phases.

First, the change in environment has a definite effect in itself. Then, as the second phase, all available resources fight to resist the change until a balance is reached in the stress.

If the stress continues too long, it finally wears out resistance. Defences crumble, and disease develops. This is the third stage, according to Selye's line of reasoning.

Grand stimulation

The Viennese professor's research shows that the pattern depends on stimulation of the

Art added to British export list

London, February 12.

The British Council has added art to the growing list of British exports, but this time for loan only.

Touring Scandinavia is an exhibit of British paintings from 1730-1850, which opened at the National Museum, Stockholm, last month.

Earlier in January, 63 sculptures and 44 drawings by Henry Moore, controversial contemporary artist, were put on view in the Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam.

The Old Masters Exhibit consists of 120 works by 31 artists, including Constable's famous "Crossing the Ford" and two paintings by Paul Sandby, lent by King George VI. Already shown in Hamburg and Oslo, the exhibit will move to Copenhagen this week.

Geoffrey Grigson, authority on Henry Moore and author of a book about his work, will lecture in Amsterdam on the pieces presented this month.

The exhibit, which has been in Brussels and Paris, and will later open in Hamburg, Düsseldorf, and Bern, is described as "the most comprehensive exhibition of the artist's work ever assembled."—United Press.

Imprisoned Archbishop's message

Prague, February 12.

Archbishop Josef Beran, Archbishop of Prague and Bohemia, who has been interned in his palace in Prague since June 16 last year, today communicated to churches in the Prague Archdiocese a letter containing conditions under which indulgences may be given in the Holy Year.

The one-page leaflet, signed by him, was read by some priests to their congregations.

Archbishop Beran had been silent since his last message was read in churches on September 4 last year.

In his instructions to Prague churches today, the 62-year-old Archbishop told Czechoslovak Roman Catholics how they could get Holy Year indulgences, even in cases where believers were in prison or otherwise prevented from taking part in Catholic exercises.

Archbishop Beran instructed Czechoslovak Roman Catholics to make frequent pilgrimages to Prague's most famous churches, to pray for the Pope and fulfillment of the Holy Year's task, to go at least once to confession and communion, and by constant prayer to support all activities of the Holy Faith.

He further told Roman Catholics to say, either in groups or singly, the prayer for the Holy Year composed by the Pope. He said that indulgences would be granted automatically to those in prison or otherwise prevented from taking part in Catholic exercises, if they devoted at least one day to prayer and daily performance of good deeds.

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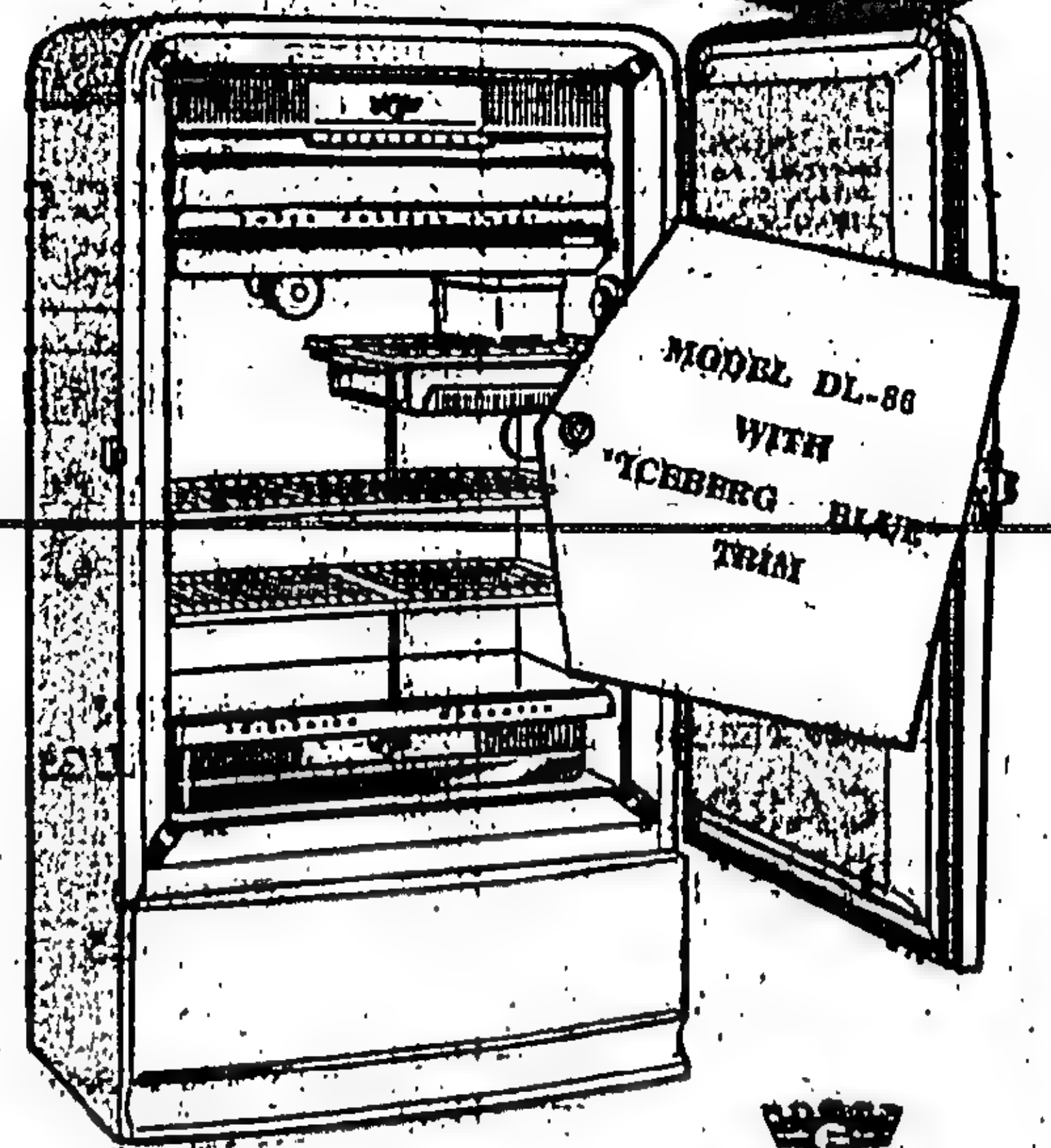
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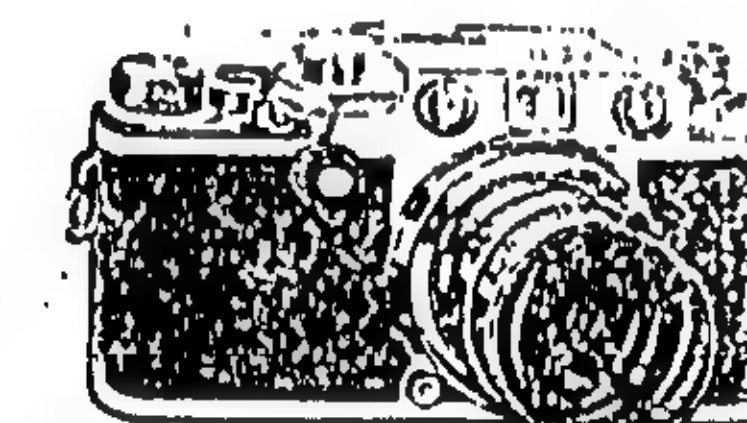
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Paris Reds hold peaceful rally

Paris, February 12.

Communists here today held a mass demonstration "for the defence of freedom". It was the calmest of its kind since the war.

The demonstration was on the anniversary of the mass disturbances in Paris in February, 1934, when the Government fell as a result of the Stavisky financial scandal and police fired on demonstrators, who included both Communists and Royalists, outside the National Assembly.

U.S. Navy planes missing

Corpus Christi, Texas.

February 12.

The United States Navy announced today that a P-51 Mustang fighter plane, with one person aboard, has been missing since yesterday afternoon.

The plane last reported from a position about 180 miles East South East of Corpus Christi.

Navy spokesmen said that the plane had about 14 hours of fuel when it left the naval air station here at 7 p.m. GMT yesterday.

Normally, it would have returned to its base at 3 a.m. GMT today.

Navy and civilian aircraft crashed over the ocean off Newport beach today in an intensive search for a P-51 Mustang fighter plane that disappeared on a routine training flight, adds a United Press report from San Diego, California.

Officers of the 11th Naval District said the plane was piloted by Ensign Charles Emery Butler, 22, of Davis, Wyoming, and disappeared yesterday on a training flight. The search was conducted by the 1st Fighter Squadron 33.

Squadron members said the plane was last seen just before the group, flying in formation, entered a cloud bank. When the squadron came out of the clouds Butler's plane was missing. —Reuter and United Press.

REDS, POLICE IN TOULON CLASH

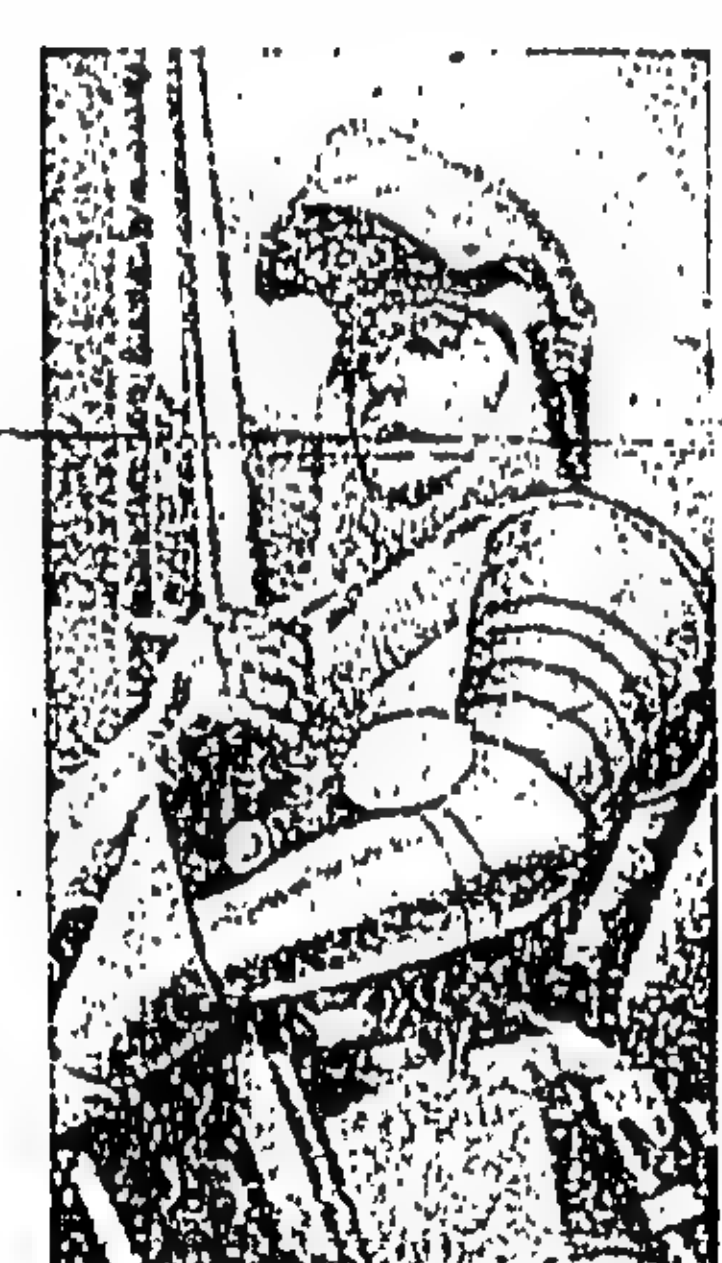
Toulon, February 12.

Communists and police came to grips here today when part of a protest led by the Communist Party of France against the Government's refusal to pass along a narrow main street of Toulon.

One police sergeant was taken to hospital, 10 policemen and about 30 demonstrators were slightly injured.

The sergeant was later able to leave the hospital. —Reuter.

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ISRAEL APPEALS FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO AID IMMIGRATION

London, February 12.

Mrs. Golda Myerson, Israel's Minister of Labour and Reconstruction, today appealed for contributions for the immigration and settlement of Jews at the opening of a campaign here by the Joint Palestine Appeal Conference for \$2,000,000 towards the reconstruction of Israel.

Mrs. Myerson, who arrived here yesterday for a three-day visit to acquaint British Jews with the huge task of integrating into Israel the hundreds of thousands of new immigrants, addressed members of Britain's wealthiest Jewish families at a luxury hotel.

"I am afraid that Jews the world over do not realise what a great responsibility they have taken upon themselves when they helped to create this State," she said.

"Now they do not seem to know how to go forward. Nothing more tragic can happen to us than when we have become members of the country we should consider a limit on immigration."

"We certainly did not want war and we do not want a new war, but it depends not on us but on our neighbours. Two million Jews in the country will convince our neighbours that it is not worth while fighting again."

"For the economic development and security of the country we must have unlimited immigration. There is not one single member of the Israeli Government who is going to close the gates to Jewish immigrants."

"Sir Simon Marks presided and expressed satisfaction in the improvement of relations between Britain and Israel. He was supported by the Israeli Ambassador, Dr. M. Eliahu, and the Chief Rabbi, Dr. Israel Brodie. —Reuter.

Mutual need

"We in Israel are anxious for large immigration. As much as the Jews need Israel, Israel needs Jews. It is only because of this mutual need that we can hope to succeed," Mrs. Myerson said.

Raid kills 500, Red Radio says

Tokyo, February 13.

The Chinese Communists said today preliminary investigations disclosed more than 500 Shanghai civilians were killed, more than 1,000 injured and 50,000 rendered homeless by the Nationalist bombing of February 6.

The raid was one of the largest staged by the Nationalist Air Force since it started attacking Shanghai.

A Peking broadcast monitored here said the Shanghai Light and Power Company, largely American-owned, was damaged heavily in the attack.

The broadcast, under a Shanghai dateline, quoted one Shanghai Light and Power Company worker as saying the Nationalists would not have bombed the installation without the approval of the United States government. —Associated Press.

Britain keen to buy dried eggs from U.S.

Washington, February 12.

Senator Elbert D. Thomas, Utah Democrat, says Britain is interested in buying some of the 73,000,000 pounds of dried eggs which the government has placed on the give away list.

The government announced on Thursday the eggs and 100,000,000 pounds of dried milk are to be given away for welfare purposes in this country only.

Senator Thomas made public a letter from Mr. William Foster, Acting Administrator of the Economic Co-operation, which said the United Kingdom had indicated a willingness to spend about \$3,000,000 for dried eggs.

It has been unable to reach an agreement with the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, U.S. financing agency, on a price.

The total U.S. egg stock, Mr. Foster said, would represent about two years supply for Great Britain and Ireland. The British buying agency would take about 20,000,000 pounds.

Mr. Foster said the RFC had not been willing to consider "a bargain price" on less than the full stock. The RFC wants 40 cents a pound for the 20,000,000 pound lot, which Mr. Foster said would be only \$1,000,000 less than the price paid by Britain.

The eggs and milk, purchased during the past two years under the price support programme, cost the government \$115,000,000. —Associated Press.

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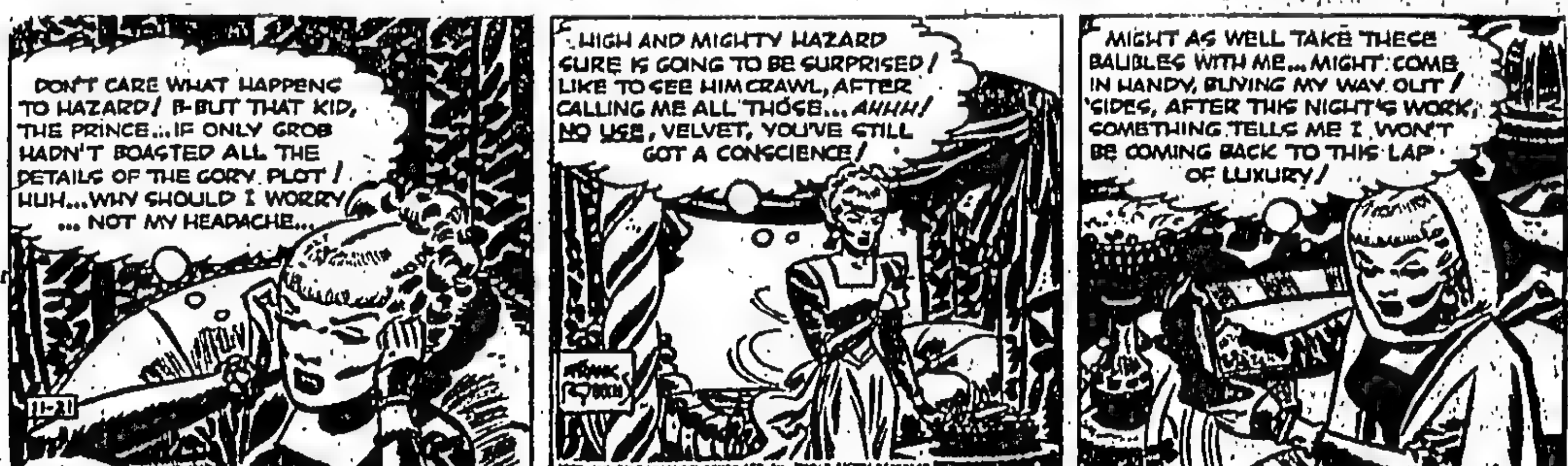
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San Francisco, February 12.

Tornado lashes Texas

Dallas, Texas, February 13. At least seven persons were killed and scores injured in East, Central and North East Texas today as a series of light tornadoes roared through a dozen communities.

Worth County, Texas, reported 60 miles South West of Sheppard. Four persons were killed and three reported to have died at the Texas-Louisiana border town of Haslam. Today's outbreak of twisters was a continuation of twisters yesterday on the Gulf Coast. As the hours passed, the twisters moved northward, staying in the Eastern half of the state and the most part close to the Louisiana border.—United Press.

ECONOMIC POLICY OF TURKEY

London, February 12. According to the Ankara Radio, in a report picked up here, M. Nedjmeddin Sadak, the Turkish Foreign Minister, on his return from Paris via Rome, declared to the Press that Turkey is greatly in favour of the freeing of imports, convertibility of currencies and multilateral trade exchange. But, since Turkey is much less advanced in industrial development than other countries, specialists would have to work out arrangements which would prevent Turkey from suffering any disadvantage because of this backwardness. M. Sadak said, Mr. Paul Hoffman, the ECA Administrator, understood well the difficulties of Turkey which has had to be in a state of mobilization for 10 years already and which has also had to spend half of her budget on defence items. M. Sadak added.—Reuter.

An Air Force B-25 pilot today reported sighting an unidentified submarine 25 miles West of Morro Bay off the Central California coast and the 12th Naval District immediately ordered search planes to scout the area.

A Navy spokesman said the sub had been spotted by 2nd/Lt. John Adams, who is attached to a B-25 operations group at Mather Field, California. Lieut. Adams notified the Coast Guard, who in turn informed the Navy of the presence of the craft.

The Navy spokesman said 12th District Headquarters had not been able to contact Lieutenant Adams to evaluate the report, but said four search planes from the Oakland naval air station had been ordered to scout the area.

The planes included one twin-engine P-4V Neptune and three torpedo bombers and were not armed, the Navy said.

The Navy declined to speculate on the nationality of the mysterious submarine, but added succinctly, "We know we do not have craft in that area."

The incident was the fourth report of an unidentified submarine off the California coast within the past two weeks. On Sunday, January 20, three different persons reported sighting a sub off the Northern California coast in the vicinity of Eureka. It was seen on three separate occasions on the same day by two commercial fishermen and a former RCAF pilot.

The flyer, Al Chisholm, described the submarine as being "similar to German designs of the last war." He said it was about 250 feet long, with a blunt nose, and carried a Schnorkel breathing

device and not cutters on its bow. The earlier sightings caused no apparent official concern, although the Navy admitted it "could not identify the craft as ours"—United Press.

Scientists leave Antarctic

Stonington Island, Antarctica, February 12.

Six scientists marooned on this island for two years today evacuated their lonely ice-bound Antarctic home and boarded the British rescue ship John Biscoe which had crashed through an ice-field to reach them.

With them was Major K.S. Pierce Butler, who planned the air flights which rescued five other scientists a few days ago. These five scientists had been on Stonington for about three years. The rescue of the 11 men had been planned with the precision of a military operation and carried out in conditions which varied from bright sun to screaming blizzards. Every possible effort was made to ensure that it did not fail as other rescue bids had done.

The six rescued today were headed by Dr. V.E. Fuchs of Cambridge. Before he left Trepassy House, Base "B", which had been the scientists' solitary polar home for so long, Dr. Fuchs glanced round in the murky light to see that everything had been put in order by the scientists.

Every brush and a dust-pan were hanging at the entrance door. After his inspection Dr. Fuchs stepped out briskly, clicked the Yale lock behind him, strengthened it with copper wire—and walked to a nearby improvised wooden jetty from which a launch took him to the Biscoe—and new faces.—Reuter.

Gradual steps by S. Africa

Capetown, February 12. South Africa will act by gradual steps until the ideal of a free independent Republic is realized, Mr. J. G. Strydom, Minister of Lands, declared today. The only real form of independence suited to South Africa was a Republic, but, nothing would be done in undue haste, he told a Nationalist Party rally at Goodwood, near here.

The Union would not make the United States and Britain her enemies he said. Bonds of friendship, would remain, provided they were not injurious to South African interests.—Reuter.

CANTONESE BY RADIO

BY S.K. LEE

Lesson 21

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| Vocabulary: | |
| 114. (1st) (2nd) 1st | Ceremony. Rites. Propriety. |
| 115. (1st) 1st | Politeness. |
| 116. (1st) 1st | To worship. |
| 117. (1st) 1st | Before. Ahead. First. |
| Combinations: | |
| 1. (2)Yau. (2)1st | To be polite. |
| 2. (2)Yau. (2)1st | To be impolite. |
| 3. (2)Yau. (2)1st | One week. |
| 4. (2)Yau. (2)1st | Sunday. |
| 5. (2)Yau. (2)1st | Monday. |
| 6. (2)Yau. (2)1st | Tuesday. |
| 7. (2)Yau. (2)1st | Saturday. |
| 8. (2)Yau. (2)1st | What day (of the week)? |
| 9. (2)Yau. (2)1st | You go first. |
| 10. (2)Yau. (2)1st | At first. |
| 11. (2)Yau. (2)1st | Second. Next. Another. Other. |
| 12. (2)Yau. (2)1st | Other people. |
| 13. (2)Yau. (2)1st | Elsewhere. |
| 14. (2)Yau. (2)1st | This week. |
| 15. (2)Yau. (2)1st | Last week. |
| 16. (2)Yau. (2)1st | Next week. |
| 17. (2)Yau. (2)1st | Which Sunday? |
| 18. (2)Yau. (2)1st | This Sunday. Next Sunday. |
| 19. (2)Yau. (2)1st | Last Sunday. |
| 20. (2)Yau. (2)1st | Next Sunday week. |
| 21. (2)Yau. (2)1st | What day of the week is today? |
| 22. (2)Yau. (2)1st | To-day is Tuesday. |
| 23. (2)Yau. (2)1st | Will you be at home on Sunday? |
| 24. (2)Yau. (2)1st | Which Sunday? |
| 25. (2)Yau. (2)1st | Next Sunday. This Sunday. |
| 26. (2)Yau. (2)1st | I shall go elsewhere, and shall not be at home. |
| 27. (2)Yau. (2)1st | What about next Sunday week? |
| 28. (2)Yau. (2)1st | I don't know yet. |
| 29. (2)Yau. (2)1st | Will it be all right if I come to visit you? |
| 30. (2)Yau. (2)1st | I'll tell you to-morrow. |

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1.15—News, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.25—Interlude.

1.30—Orchestra of the Week—Ratons Symphony Orchestra Conducted by Serge Koussevitzky.

2.00—Close Down.

6.00—Hong Kong Calling—Programme Summary.

6.02—"It's Swing Time."

6.30—"Cantonese by Radio"—Given by Miss Lee Wai Lan and Mr. S. K. Lee. (Studio)

6.50—Orchestra Manolo Bol et Ses Musiciens.

7.00—World News and News Analysis. (London Relay)

7.15—"Letter from America"—By Allister Cooke (London Relay Recorded)

7.30—"Songs and Stories—Favourite" (Studio)

8.00—"From the Editor's" (London Relay)

8.10—"The 200"—Hert Gillette at the Hammond Organ.

8.30—Election Talk—Miss Margaret Herbin, M.P., speaks on behalf of the Labour Party. (Relay London Recorded)

9.00—"Forum of the Air"—Guest W.V. Fennell. The distinguished Journalist and Writer on Eastern Affairs. Team: Len Starbuck, Gerald Goodham, Commander R. S. Barry, R.N. (Field) Question Master Norman Tucker.

9.30—Orchestra Interlude—New Concert Orchestra.

9.40—Studio Recital by Irene Yuen. (Piano)

10.00—Radio News Rev. (London Relay)

10.15—Weather Report.

10.16—"Time for Music"—BBC Midland Light Orchestra. (HUGHS)

10.45—Dance to Bob Grady and His Orchestra. Bing Crosby and the Andrews Sisters (Guest Artists).

11.15—Weather Report, World News and Home News from Britain. (London Relay Recorded)

11.30—Close Down.

NO JAP TRADE REPRESENTATIVE IN HONG KONG

Reports circulating in the Colony that Japanese trade representatives had arrived here to promote trade between Hong Kong and Japan were officially denied yesterday.

It was officially stated that Government is unaware of any Japanese trade representatives having arrived in the Colony.

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| Horse Head (small) | 1.35 | 1.31 |
| Conger Pike | 1.70 | 1.45 |
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| (small) | 1.10 | 1.00 |

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| A.M. | |
| 7.00—Up With The Sun. | |
| 7.15—Setting Up Exercises. | |
| 7.30—Musical Lock. | |
| 7.45—Patent Breakfast Session. | |
| 8.00—News & Weather Forecast. | |
| 8.15—Salon Concert Players. | |
| 9.00—Morning Music. | |
| 9.30—Music for Keyboard. | |
| 10.00—Music For All. | |
| 11.00—The Four Knights. | |
| 11.15—Waltz Time. | |
| 11.30—Parade of Rhythms. | |
| 12.00—N.K. Stock Exchange. | |
| 12.15—Time Time. | |
| 12.30—Light Music. | |
| 1.00—Songs. | |
| 1.15—News. | |
| 1.30—Variety Calls The Tune. | |
| 4.00—Novelties. | |
| 4.15—Tropics. | |
| 4.30—Vocalists. | |
| 5.00—Music Makers. | |
| 5.15—Children's Corner. | |
| 5.30—Movie Time. | |
| 6.00—Radio Headlines. | |
| 6.30—"St. Valentine's Day" | |
| 6.45—Richard Lin Sings. | |
| 7.00—B.B.C. News. | |
| 7.15—Concert Favourites. | |
| 7.45—Listen to Kellert. | |
| 8.00—"Sing Sing" | |
| 8.15—Sammy Kaye and His Orchestra. | |
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| "STRAAT MALAKKA" | 17th Mar. | 3rd Apr. |
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| JAPAN | ARRIVALS | SAILINGS |
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| "RUYS" | 21st Feb. | 16th Feb. |
| "TJIPONDOK" | | 15th Feb. |
| "STRAAT MALAKKA" | 1st Apr. | 19th Mar. |
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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

FUEL SHORTAGE, LABOUR TROUBLE AFFECT U.S. BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY

New York, February 12.

A pressing fuel shortage growing out of the coal strike and unsettled labour conditions in other key industries were depressing influences on business and industry the past week. Overall conditions were remarkably good, however, considering the fact that almost complete industrial paralysis appeared certain within a matter of days unless the coal miners returned to work. This indicated business confidence had not been undermined to any alarming extent.

Industrial production averaged lower than in the preceding week due to reduced operations in a number of lines of business specifically allied with coal. Tides continued to run strong in numerous other operations, including steel, motor cars, building construction, home appliances and house furnishings.

Retail trade was not unduly slack for this time of year, except in areas where purchasing power had been severely curtailed by strikes or where the weather was too bad to do much shopping.

Forward buying was interrupted to some extent but the weekly survey of Dun and Bradstreet said trading in wholesale markets remained virtually even with the previous week and dollar volume was fractionally above a year ago. There was little or no let-up in the large attendance at

various trade shows and promoting events beamed for early spring and summer trade.

Markets nervous

Stock and bond markets were nervous and inclined to back when selling pressure became pronounced, but new buying power was uncovered with each lag and little damage was done to the three and one-half year old bull market. Most new security offerings found ready takers at going prices.

Perhaps the strongest prop to business sentiment at a time when industrial conditions were worsening with every tick of the clock was government intervention in the lengthy coal dispute for the first time.

In general, coal stocks were down to nothing to about a week's supply at normal rates of use. Householders were hard put to keep warm in soft coal consuming sections and the inevitable black market appeared in some places.

The Government of Illinois ordered four State colleges closed because of dwindling coal supplies. Buffalo revised its wartime emergency Fuel Committee to assure fair allotments of coal.

Thousands of workers not connected with the mine dispute were laid off because of the spreading effects of the coal shortage.

Railroad workers were particularly hard hit as shops that service coal burning locomotives and perform other normal work were shut down or placed on a curtailed operations basis.

Big steel mills will begin cutting back operations sharply this week.

All this added up to a drop of 1.6 points in operations in steel mills, sending it to 91.5 per cent of capacity, lowest thus far in 1950. Tonnage was estimated at 1,744,200. A year ago mills operated a 100.1 per cent of rated capacity.

The motor car industry's high production schedules ran into coal trouble for the first time. The combined efforts of all manufacturers in production, however, was enough to increase motorcar output. Assemblies in this country and Canada added up to 130,040 compared with 108,921 a year ago.

Other highlights on the business chart this week included a new record output of electric power, a sizable jump in business investment and a slump in money in circulation.—Associated Press.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the godowns or failure to attend the survey.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the godown where they will be examined in the presence of Messrs. Goddard and Douglas on February 15, 1950, at 10 a.m.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the godown, and all goods remaining undelivered after February 18, 1950, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before February 24, 1950, or they will not be recognized.

No fire insurance will be effected.

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Russia may buy tin in Malaya

New York, February 12.
The New York metal trade has heard rumors that Russian buyers are trying to purchase Straits tin.

The American Metal Market, a trade newspaper, said comparatively large sales in Singapore and Penang on days following a small business in the U.S. had given rise to the rumors. So far, however, the trade paper and other metal sources said no confirmation is available in New York.

One metal market spokesman told the Associated Press that the trade news was known for some time that Russia was looking for tin for delivery at Antwerp.—Associated Press.

OIL PLAN NOT SATISFACTORY

Washington, February 12.
American oil companies today described as unsatisfactory the British proposals to end the dollar-sterling oil problem. Executives of the leading American oil companies engaged in international trade, discussed the latest British compromise proposals with officials of the Petroleum Division of the State Department.

The British proposals were contained in a memorandum delivered to the State Department yesterday.

They planned to cut about 4,000,000 tons per year from American refined petroleum imports to the Sterling Area—saving between \$50,000,000 and \$60,000,000 until the end of Marshall Aid.—Reuter.

PAKISTAN SHIPS BANNED

New Delhi, February 12.
The Government of India has decided that Pakistan ships would not be given coastal licences for the Indian coast from next Thursday, the Indian Commerce Ministry announced tonight.

An authoritative source gave the following reason for this decision: The difficulty of Indian ships in securing adequate cargo. Indian shipping was not given any corresponding advantage from trade on the Pakistan coast. From 10 to 15 Pakistan ships have been allowed to partake in trade on the Indian coast since the partition of the sub-continent of India.—Reuter.

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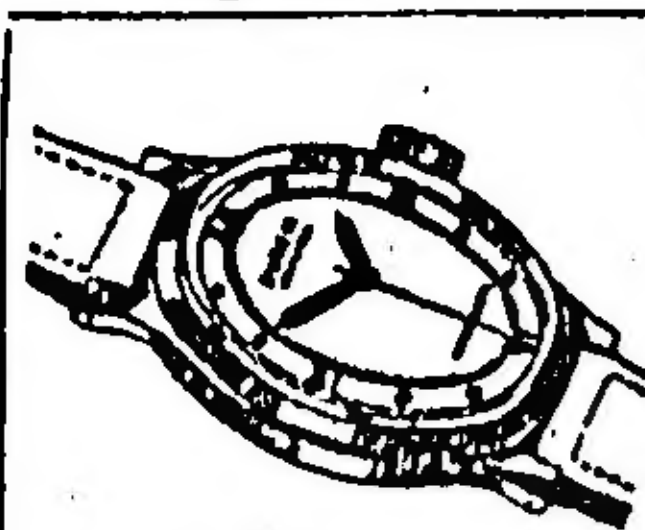
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(By "ARGONAUT")

Hunt Club has good run over NT

There was a good turnout of enthusiastic riders and spectators at last Sunday's meet of the Hong Kong Hunt at Mal Pas from where Willie Grieve had laid a fine over a stretch of new promised land.

Of late note was the absence of the Officers and Troopers of the 4th Queen's Own Hussars who have left for other duties. We shall miss them, and their shining example in the Hunting Field, and we wish them one and all good luck.

On the other hand we were very pleased to see Lieutenant-Colonel R. Symons and his team. They were there to pick up the reins of the Hunt. We were also glad to welcome a new rider in Miss Hume, a well-known performer over the Shanghai country, and there was no mistaking her ability to take our country as it comes.

The morning, Mr. Hume, laid the riders on the line near Mal Pas where they were to make good going over a series of muddy fields to the grass slopes of Pine Tree Hill and onto the foothills of the Snowdon Range where the hunt began. The trail through "Mud" was a good one, and the riders were galloping on to check near Shuk Wo Wai village.

Reverend progress was slow negotiating muddy fields, but the hunt was soon on the go again and skirting the Kowloon, through the neighbourhood of the river, the riders were galloping on to check near Shuk Wo Wai village. Here a miniature ravine checked one or two of the leaders, but "Huffy" on that black beauty "The Chief" was not slow to show them the way. A check was called to refresh the riders and count numbers, after two of the field were seen to have taken a rest.

Interport hockey trial

A hockey trial to choose the team to represent the Colony in the forthcoming Interport with Mexico was held at Sookunpo yesterday.

The players who took part in the trials were: Souza and Hollins (goalkeepers), Trace, Goncalves, Webb and Noy (full-backs), Skipworthy, Fitzgibbon, Bhagat Singh, Mathewson, Reed, Bantam Singh, and Hui (half-backs), Gosau, Rull, Fowler, Alves, Xavier, Humphreys, Daniels, Gardner, MacKenzie and Dillon (forwards).

The trial was a very close one, with the first and second half of the game.

MacKenzie scored for the Whites in the first half while Fowler and Rull scored for the Blues in the second.

COMBINED SERVICES XI

The following have been selected to represent the Combined Services versus the Rest of the Colony at Chater Road on February 16 and 19 (Play 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day):

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The first major upset of the Colony Badminton Open Championships occurred at Victoria Recreation Club court in the course of last night's matches.

In a rousing game that went the full distance of three sets, University's S. F. Lam and S. K. Cheong eliminated Chinese YMCA's seeded pair of W. C. Chung and M. K. Fung in the first round of the Junior Doubles Championship.

The youthful undergraduates fully deserved their win, although a hand must be given to the Y pair for putting up gallant resistance, especially in the second set.

A special feature of the game was the classical style in which the two University boys, especially S. F. Lam, received their opponents' smashes with rackets well above the shoulders—a style in Doubles play which budding Freemen may well copy to advantage.

The game started evenly in the first set until the score mounted to 5-5. Then the whirlwind speed and hurricane smashes of the winners broke through the stout defence of the losers. They gradually brought up the score to 12-5, and looked as if they would run away with the set. The Y pair, however, then began to settle down and with one service commenced piling up point after point, until they ended it when they had brought their score to 11. Amidst increasing tension and excitement, Fung gave away two "wood" shots, but his opponents reach "set point." A smash by Lam ended the first set.

In the second set, Chung and Fung, regained some of their usual steadiness and accuracy. After allowing their opponents to score a point they jumped at once to a 9-1 lead. Through the set, Lam and Cheong in reacting their high services which were killed every time, they carried on their lead to 12-3 and finally to set.

Realising their mistakes, the "Y" boys resorted to short services in the third set. After a preliminary ding-dong tussle, when the score reached 2-2, they ran loose and scored nine points in a row, to lead by 11-2. The Y couple added another three points, and in spite of a spirited final stand during which the services changed hands seven times, they conceded the set point to their worthy winners.

Another upset

The Ladies' Singles between the two St. Teresa's ladies, Melville and Gloria Silva, ended in another upset. Although Melville, a youthful Gloria exhibited inexhaustible stamina and a rare form of speed on the court to oust the more experienced Melville in three sets, 2-11, 11-9 and 11-8. The first game was a series of ding-dong baseline duels, with Melville coming out as the harder hitter. In the second set, Melville began to tell on her, and Gloria who seemed to withstand the pace better, gradually forged ahead of her clubmate from 4-6 to 9-6.

Although Melville with a final burst, added three more points, Gloria managed to score the vital points to win with a well-placed net shot.

In the third set, Gloria effectively began mixing her lob with well-executed drop shots, and soon went to a 6-0 lead. Melville, however, not to be outdone, threw all her resources into the game at this stage, and to loud cheers, caught her younger opponent up to 7-7 and then went on to take the lead of 8-7. Youth, however, triumphed and with her next service, Gloria added four more points to end an exciting and riveting game.

The Schoolboys' events last night brought to view a promising player in Wong Cheong-yeo of Diocesan "Boys' School." In his singles match against F. T. Wong of St. Xavier's College, he won in two straight sets, the young boy showed an attractive style and a wide repertoire of strokes. With constant practice and good coaching he should be one of the future stars of the Colony.

Tonight's games

Tonight's programme of seven games will be run off at the Recreation Club starting at 7 p.m. Two Schoolboys' events will be followed by a Junior Men's Singles match between K. S. Thong of Chinese YMCA and H. J. Xavier of Recreation. This promises to be a close game with the odds slightly in favour of the Chinese boy.

The next game, a Ladies' Doubles Match, sees the seeded pair of Miss M. Ribeiro and Mrs. M. Ribeiro taking the court against their youthful clubmates, Miss Soares and Yoly Franco. Much

Sports personality

Veteran Badminton player still active

Badminton enthusiasts in the Colony owe a greater debt of gratitude to Marcus A. Oliveira than they realise.

One of the first, if not actually "the first," to take up badminton in the Colony after the exhibition matches by Denis H. Hazell and Stewart A. Gray in 1932, Oliveira has devoted most of his spare time and interest to Hong Kong's men and women, young and old, in the intricacies and value of the game.

He set an example and by practising what he preached, became one of the outstanding exponents of the game in the Colony.

Youthful in appearance—he is as debonair today as when he captained Club de Recreio's Mixed Doubles team and led them to win three consecutive League titles in 1934, 1935 and 1936—Oliveira laughingly refuses to divulge his age.

Possibly it is because the standard of badminton which he plays today is still in the Championship class and he does not wish to put his younger opponents of the game to shame.

During the first years of the Badminton League, he captained the Club de Recreio teams in the Senior Men's Doubles and the Mixed Doubles for four consecutive years.

Today, he still takes an active part in the League, representing his Club in the Senior Men's Doubles and the Senior Mixed Doubles Leagues.

In addition to his playing, he has also assumed the duties of Honorary Treasurer of the Hong Kong Badminton Association.

Due to pressure of work this year, he has only entered in the Senior Mixed Doubles of the Open Championships. His partner is Mrs. Goncalves, nee Miss Mylthie Silva.

Fine record

Oliveira has set up a record in local badminton competition which is to be envied. Besides his league triumphs, he was a finalist in the Men's Doubles Championships in 1936 partnered by J. J. Remedios.

With Miss M. Silva he reached the finals of the Mixed Doubles Championships in 1936, 1937, 1938 and 1939.

Each year they were within an ace of winning the title, but luck was never with them and they lost to players who began to play badminton at a very tender age in Malaya.

In the Singles Championships, Oliveira has never failed to reach the semi-final stages and, on several occasions, went as far as the finals, but because he came up against such great exponents of the game as Patrick H. Wong and P. Hui (Singapore) in 1937 and 1938, an Open Championship title has always eluded his grasp.

Because of this, Oliveira realised that to be really great at the game, one has to begin young. He has applied this theory to his "aching" and has always advocated that schoolboys should be given the chance and coaching they deserve.

It may be noted here that it was mostly through his efforts that the Schoolboys' Championships have been initiated into this year's Open Championships.

Local badminton circles will remember M. A. Oliveira's exhibition games with A. G. Meise, former Singles Champion of Shanghai, in 1938 and his representing the Colony in the only Badminton Interport against Bangkok in 1937, when Hong Kong won four games to two.

Great honour

However, the greatest possible honour was paid him when he was chosen to partner the Singapore Badminton Champion, On

COLONY SQUASH CHAMPIONSHIPS

The following are the results of the Colony Squash Championship matches played at the Victoria Recreation Club yesterday:

R. McAllister beat W. McCutcheon 9-3, 7-0, 6-0, 9-7, 9-2.

Claydon beat Davidson 10-0, 9-2, 9-4.

Copple beat Morrison 4-0, 9-2, 9-4.

Hutton received a walk-over from Spence and Tanter, also won by default from Tennison.



MARCUS A. OLIVEIRA

Pol-sin in an exhibition Double match with the Malayan Champions Ooi Tok-hock and Wong Peng-sun in 1948 when the Malayan visited the Colony.

The game was played at Club de Recreio and those who were privileged to see the game will remember the classic game which took place.

Oliveira and Ong led the Malayan Champions seven points to two and it was only after a prolonged struggle that the pair succumbed 15-12.

Ooi Tok-hock and Wong Peng-sun proved, during the All-England Championships and the Thomas Cup matches played last year, that they are in a class by themselves and this year Wong is being picked by experts as the likely winner of the All-England Championship title soon to be played.

This only goes to show that M. A. Oliveira is a great Badminton player and that he only lost out in the Classification of Champion because he took up the game after his teens. Had he been given the chance which a Malayan boy is given to play Badminton, no one knows to what heights in the Badminton world he would have risen.

FLEET SAILING NOTES

The North East wind was still on strike last weekend, but the series races continued and on both days we just managed to complete one lap in each class. This time, as an experiment, the whalers were pooled for the benefit of ships whose boats may be below average in performance.

Saturday's breeze was light but confident at fifty feet, but very timid close to the water. It was also most variable in direction, and at one time the flags in the Eastern and Western anchorages were completely at odds.

The whaler boats manoeuvred under our tiller the five minute gun to keep themselves some-where near the starting line. When the little breeze arrived the race became a test of skill, trimmings, and alertness to every tick of wind was the secret of success.

The outstanding dinghy was Cockade, which was away first at the start and led home easily only to be disqualified after a protest for bearing out her jib.

Two boats unfortunately failed to receive the amended course. The remaining four finished very close together on a broad reach. Alacrity started a luffing match with Black Swan—a fatal moment to choose, for it gave second place to Jamaica 1 who made straight for the line. At the same instant Morecombe Bay really tried to overtake by squeezing between two boats and was disqualified.

The whaler race was won easily by Jamaica 1. At one time she was nearly a mile ahead of the remainder, who were for several minutes, keeping perfect quarterline formation only a length apart. Three boats had still not finished by sunset. White-sand Bay was disqualified for trying to force an overlap at a mark.

Sunday's results:

Dinghies: 1st, Cockade (7.1. Tolfores) 800; 2nd, Jamaica 1 (A.B. Hiltches) 678; 3rd, Black Swan (P.O. Springall) 576; 4th, Morecombe Bay (Comdr. Mackenzie) 480; 5th, Jamaica 2 (A.B. Bon) 383; 6th, Cockade (P.O. Wright) 304.

Whalers: 1st, Alacrity (P.O. James) 800; 2nd, Maine (B.M. Rupa) 678; 3rd, Jamaica 1 (Sergt. Rowberry) 480; Whitesand Bay D.S.Q.; Cockade D.N.F.

Winning crew was P. O. Williams, A.B. Atkins, O.S. Shaou and Pearce.

Next Saturday there will be a race in open waters to Ping Chau Island and back. This will be an all-day sail, and more than a dozen boats have entered.

FANLING GOLF

The result of the Stapleford Competition played on the Old Course at Fanling last week and resulted in a tie between Mr. W. H. Paterson (17) and Capt. W. D. M. Webb (18) who both required cards giving them a total of 88 points.

Jamaica boxers score win over Middlesex Regiment

(By "RAMBLER")

The boxing tournament between HMS Jamaica and the Middlesex Regiment at the China Fleet Club last night resulted in a close win for the sailors by 16 points to 14 and by six bouts to four before a full house of servicemen.

Each fight consisted of three two-minute rounds and some game, skilful and hard hitting boxing was seen; the spectators were amply rewarded and some close fights were witnessed.

The sailors reeled off five victories in a row before Private Gatlund gave the soldiers a victory. This somewhat inspired the soldiers for they won the following two fights.

Australian swimmer sets records

New Haven, February 12.

George Marshall, 19-year-old Australian swimmer, broke three world records when racing against the clock at the 18th annual Yale Water Carnival.

Marshall, who is now attending Yale, set new marks for the 300 yards (3 mins. 1.4 secs.), 300 metres (3 mins. 20.2 secs.) and 400 yards (4 mins. 38.4 secs.).

He was also trying for new figures for the 200 yards and 400 metres but failed although his 400 metres time was only 1.3 seconds outside the record of 4 mins. 33.8 seconds set by Hiroshi Furushashi (Japan) at Los Angeles last summer.

Marshall broke a nine-year-old record for the quarter mile, the record for which was 4 mins. 38.6 secs., by W. Smith, who beat a 400 metres time in 1941.

The 300 yards and the 300 metres records on the books were made by Alex Jany (France) with 3 mins. 3 secs. in 1947 and 3 mins. 21 secs. in 1948 respectively.—Reuter.

With the sailors leading by 13 points to 11, S. M. Warner put the match on ice for the sailors when he scored a very narrow win over Private Saunders, giving the sailors a lead of 15 points to 12 with one more fight left.

Showing a greater superiority over his opponent in the light-weight class A. B. Stewart out-pointed Cpl. Spicer. Stewart was hammering his opponent from the start and scored with repeated right hand punches. Spicer took a lot of punishment and was applauded for his game fight.

In the welter-weight bout it was very much impressed with the skilful display put up by E. M. Thomas when he out-pointed Private Rogers. Thomas was very aggressive from the beginning of the fight and Rogers were very game and took a great deal of punishment.

Thomas attacked his opponent with a barrage of blows and deserved his win.

In the middle-weight class, A. B. Harris gave the soldiers the third straight win of the evening when he had the better of the fight against Private Hutchings and in the feather-weight class A. B. Priest by some clever boxing was given the decision over Corporal Lloyd.

Best bout

The best fight of the evening was undoubtedly that between Stoker Crawford and Lance Corporal Noble in the light-weight class which the former won by a very narrow margin. I must congratulate them on their splendid performance. Crawford was a good winner and Noble a worthy loser.

Right from the start both boxers skilfully went for each other with telling blows. Crawford was a shade better than his opponent in the first round.

The second round saw Crawford scoring repeatedly against his opponent. Noble was in trouble but managed to keep going and attacked Crawford furiously. Both these boxers treated the spectators to some clever boxing. This round was even.

The start of the last round saw these two fighters hammering at each other. Noble kept chasing his opponent, but Crawford cleverly dodged him and in turn scored some telling blows. Crawford was given a close decision. Both these boxers were congratulated by the judge for their rousing exhibition.

In the heavy-weight contest, Private Jelly knocked out A.B. Chisholm in the last round of this—this rousing bout. The boxer put up a gallant fight and took a lot of punishment.

Rousing fight

Another rousing fight was that between S.M. Warner and Private Saunders in the bantam-weight class. This fight was very closely contested and Saunders put up a gallant show. Warner was given the close verdict, no doubt due to his skilful display.

Private Harrison proved too good for Stoker. Private in the welter-weight class and was a worthy winner.

The results

Boys Light-weight
Boy Cutis (Jamaica) lost to Boy Jackson (Morecombe Bay).

Boys Welter-weight
Boy Ebbert (Jamaica) lost to Boy Greenwood (Morecombe Bay).

Light-weight
Cpl. Spicer (Middlesex) lost to A.B. Stewart (Jamaica).

Welter-weight
Pte. Rogers (Middlesex) lost to E.M. Thomas (Jamaica).

Middle-weight
Pte. Hutchings (Middlesex) lost to A.B. Harris (Jamaica).

Feather-weight
Cpl. Lloyd (Middlesex) lost to A.B. Priest (Jamaica).

Light-weight
L/Cpl. Noble (Middlesex) lost to Stoker Crawford (Jamaica).

Middle-weight
Pte. Gatlund (Middlesex) beat A.B. Pinkett (Jamaica).

Light-heavy-weight
Cpl. Hiltches (Middlesex) beat L/Pat. Reeve (Jamaica).

Heavy-weight
Pte. Jelly (Middlesex) K.O. A.B. Chisholm (Jamaica).

Santam-weight
Pte. Saunders (Middlesex) lost to S.M. Warner (Jamaica).

Welter-weight
Pte. Harrison (Middlesex) beat Stoker (Jamaica).

South Africa 115 for four in Test match

Johannesburg, February 13.

South Africa were 115 for four in their first innings at lunch on the third day of the Fourth Test against Australia here. Australia made 405 in their first innings.

The South Africans tested the full fury of Australia's "shock" attack of Lindwall and Miller, and for 105 minutes today they batted laboriously for only 38 runs and lost four wickets.

Lindwall and Miller gave a superb exhibition of fast bowling, extracting life and lift from a lively pitch. The crowd voiced its disapproval when they sent down an occasional bumper.

After batting 107 minutes for 65, Eric I. Rowan was bowled for a stolid stump by a Lindwall in a swing. Two runs later, at 80, Ned was run out. At 90 Nourse was caught after scratching about 25 minutes for five singles and in the last over before lunch, Draper was also caught at the wicket. Lindwall's two wickets cost 11 runs today.

Scores: Australia—1st Innings 405 for 8 declared.

South Africa—1st Innings: E. Rowan b Lindwall 23

J. Nel, run out 25

R. Draper c Saggers b H. Johnston 15

D. Nourse c Saggers b Lindwall 5

D. Beagle not out 11

Total for four 115

Fall of wickets: 1/84, 2/90, 3/96 and 4/115.—Reuter.

Werket wins 1,500 metres skating event

Oslo, February 12.

Johnny Werket, of the United States, today added the 1,500 metres title to the 500 metres he had won yesterday when the speed skating international events were continued here.

Werket won in 2 mins. 19.7 secs, the best recorded time in the world for the 1,500 metres. He was followed by the United States skater, Reidar Liskay, who was second in 2 mins. 20.5 secs., and Reidar Liskay, of Norway, was placed third in 2 mins. 21.0 secs.

Skaters from Norway, Sweden, Finland, Holland and the United States are competing in the events.

The Norwegian Champion, Hjalmar Andersen, won the competition with a total of 192,708 points. He won the 10,000 metres event today with Werket no nearer than eighth. Andersen's time was 17 mins. 13.7 secs.

Reidar Liskay was placed second in 17 mins. 25.5 secs. and Sverre Hougli of Norway, came third in 17 mins. 34.7 secs.

The final "all in" positions and points were:

1.—Andersen—192,708 points.

2.—Liskay—192,098 points.

3.—O. Lundberg (Norway) 190,057 points.

4.—Ivar Martinson (Norway) 189,507 points.

5.—K. Harty (United States) 188,567 points.

6.—Johnny Werket (United States) 188,627 points.

7.—Sverre Hougli (Norway) 188,055 points.

8.—K. Wahl (Norway) 188,822 points.—Reuter.

PI TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Manila, February 12.

Pedro Maslo (Spain) and Mrs. H. Weiss (Argentina) carried off the singles titles today when the Philippines covered hard courts lawn tennis championships ended.

Mrs. Weiss had already been concerned with two other title victories—the mixed and the women's doubles, and today she beat Mrs. Molden of the Philippines, by 6-1 and 6-1.

The men's final, in which Maslo beat Feliciano Ampon, the Philippines Champion, by 6-4, 6-2, 3-6, 6-1, lasted over three hours and every point was hotly contested.

During the second and third sets Maslo was seriously distracted by a protracted altercation with a partisan crowd, but Ampon retained his normal smile and quantity even in defeat.—Reuter.

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